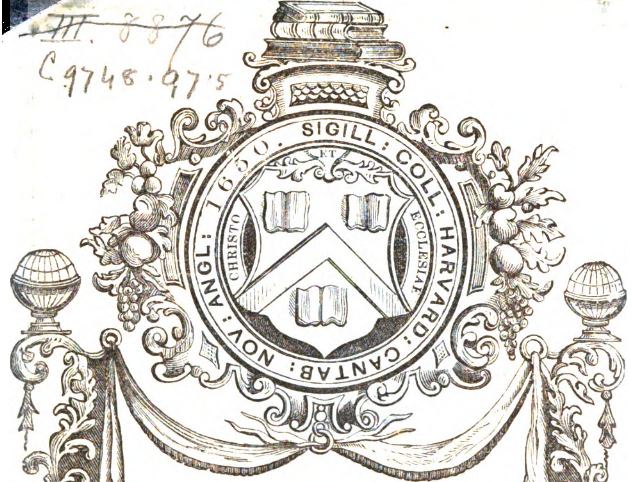

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Qui vult Orationem suam volare ad Deum, faciat illi duas alas,
Eleemosynam et Jejunium, et ascendet celeriter et exaudietur.—*Aug. Serm.*, 59.

Vigilate et orate, ne intretis in tentationem.
—*St. Matt.*, 26.

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Preces Matutinæ.

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Sunday Morning.

On awaking, say,

Hymn 3, Pt. 2, A. and M., "Glory to Thee."

On arising, say,

In the Name of the LORD, I arise. Thanks be to Thee for this new day. Grant me to spend it in Thee and for Thee.

While dressing, say humbly this Litany,

Glory be to GOD the FATHER, Who created us :
Glory be to GOD the SON, Who redeemed us :
Glory be to GOD the HOLY GHOST, Who sanctifieth us :
All love, all glory, all thanksgiving, be to the Holy and Undivided TRINITY, now and for evermore.

Glory be to Thee, O GOD, Who givest me sleep to recruit my weakness, and to remit the toils of this fretful flesh. To this day, and all days, a perfect, holy, peaceful, healthy, sinless course,
Vouchsafe, O LORD.

The Angel of peace, a faithful guide and guardian of souls and bodies, to encamp around me, and ever to prompt what is salutary,

Vouchsafe, O LORD.

Pardon and remission of all sins, and of all offences,

Vouchsafe, O LORD.

To our souls what is good and convenient, and peace to the world,

Vouchsafe, O LORD.

Repentance and strictness for the residue of our lives, and health and peace to the end,

Vouchsafe, O LORD.

Whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever just, whatever pure, whatever lovely, whatever of good report, if there be any virtue, if any praise; such thoughts, such deeds,

Vouchsafe, O LORD.

The Christian temper, with all its charities and courtesies, the temper of self-devotion to some worthy cause, of self-effacement for some high end, of fortitude and forgiveness, of purity and pitifulness, of generosity and gentleness,

Vouchsafe, O LORD.

The sympathy which can move and lift the hearers, the insight into spiritual facts which can present them as luminous realities, and the enthusiasm for a sacred cause which can fire the soul with a passionate devotion,

Vouchsafe, O LORD.

A Christian close, without sin, without shame, and, should it please Thee, without pain, and a good answer at the dreadful and fearful Judgment Seat of JESUS CHRIST, our LORD,

Vouchsafe, O LORD.

When dressed, stand at a prie-dieu, and say,

✠ In the Name of the FATHER, and of the SON, and of the HOLY GHOST. *Amen.*

O Thou that hearest prayer, unto Thee shall all flesh come. Alleluia.

THE HYMN.

AWAKED from sleep we fall
Before Thee, GOD of love,
And chant the praise the Angels raise,
O GOD of might, above;
Holy, Holy, Holy! Thou art GOD adored!
In Thy pitying mercy show us mercy, LORD.

Thou wakedst me from sleep;
Shine on this mind and heart,
And touch my tongue, that I among
Thy choir may take my part;
Holy, Holy, Holy! TRINITY adored!
In Thy pitying mercy show me mercy, LORD.

The Judge will come with speed,
And each man's deeds be known;
Our trembling cry shall rise on high
At midnight to Thy Throne;
Holy, Holy, Holy! King of Saints adored!
In the hour of judgment show us mercy, LORD.
Amen.

PSALM LIV. *Deus, in nomine.*

The cry of the helpless.

1 Save me, O GOD, by Thy name, and judge me in Thy might.

2 Hear my prayer, O GOD; give ear to the words of my mouth.

3 For strangers are risen up against me, and violent men have sought after my soul: they have not set GOD before them.

4 Behold, GOD is mine helper: the LORD is of them that uphold my soul.

5 He shall requite the evil unto mine enemies: destroy Thou them in Thy truth.

6 With a freewill offering will I sacrifice unto Thee: I will give thanks unto Thy name, O LORD, for it is good.

7 For He hath delivered me out of all trouble; and mine eye hath seen *my desire* upon mine enemies.

PSALM CXVIII. *Confitemini Domino.*

Keynote, *Hosanna.* Processional, with dramatic divisions (see Bp. Barry).

1 O give thanks unto the LORD; for He is good: for His mercy *endureth* for ever.

2 Let Israel now say, that His mercy *endureth* for ever.

3 Let the house of Aaron now say, that His mercy *endureth* for ever.

4 Let them now that fear the LORD say, that His mercy *endureth* for ever.

5 Out of my distress I called upon the LORD: the LORD answered me *and set me* in a large place.

6 The LORD is on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me?

7 The LORD is on my side among them that help me: therefore shall I see *my desire* upon them that hate me.

8 It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.

9 It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes.

10 All nations compassed me about: in the name of the LORD I will cut them off.

11 They compassed me about; yea, they compassed me about: in the name of the LORD I will cut them off.

12 They compassed me about like bees; they are quenched as the fire of thorns: in the name of the LORD I will cut them off.

13 Thou didst thrust sore at me that I might fall: but the LORD helped me.

14 The LORD is my strength and song; and He is become my salvation.

15 The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tents of the righteous: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.

16 The right hand of the LORD is exalted: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.

17 I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.

18 The LORD hath chastened me sore: but He hath not given me over unto death.

19 Open to me the gates of righteousness: I will enter into them, I will give thanks unto the LORD.

20 This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter into it.

21 I will give thanks unto Thee, for Thou hast answered me, and art become my salvation.

22 The stone which the builders rejected is become the head of the corner.

23 This is the LORD'S doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

24 This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

25 Save now, we beseech Thee, O LORD: O LORD, we beseech Thee, send now prosperity.

26 Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the LORD: we have blessed you out of the house of the LORD.

27 The LORD is GOD, and he hath given us light: bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the horns of the altar.

28 Thou art my GOD, and I will give thanks unto Thee: Thou art my GOD, I will exalt Thee.

29 O give thanks unto the LORD; for He is good: for His mercy *endureth* for ever.

Antiphon: O Holy and Undivided TRINITY, with heart and mouth we confess, praise, and bless Thee the FATHER Eternal, Thee the only begotten SON, Thee the HOLY GHOST the COMFORTER: to Thee be glory for ever.

(*In Eastertide is added*, Alleluia.)

THE CHAPTER. 1 *Tim.* i. 17.

Now unto the KING Eternal, incorruptible, invisible, the only GOD, be honour and glory for ever and ever. *Amen.*

℟. JESU CHRIST, SON of the living GOD, have mercy upon us.

℣. Thou that sittest at the Right Hand of the FATHER, have mercy upon us.

℟. JESU CHRIST, SON of the living GOD, have mercy upon us.

℣. May the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of GOD, rest in peace.
℟. Amen.

(*Here use the Meditation for the day from* Avancini's "Vita et Doctrina Jesu Christ.")

(*The Meditation ended, stand and say the Prayer on* p. 420—Suscipe Domine.)

Here kneel and say,

LORD, have mercy upon me.
CHRIST, have mercy upon me.
LORD, have mercy upon me.

Our FATHER, etc.

I confess to GOD the FATHER Almighty, to His only begotten SON, JESUS CHRIST our LORD, and to GOD the HOLY GHOST, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, through my fault, through my own most grievous fault. . . . Wherefore I beseech Almighty GOD, the FATHER, the SON, and the HOLY GHOST, to have mercy upon me, forgive me my sins, grant me true repentance, and bring me to everlasting life. *Amen.*

Come, O HOLY SPIRIT, fill the hearts of Thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Thy love.

ACT OF ADORATION AND THANKSGIVING.

O Eternal GOD, FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST, the Beginning and End of all things, in Whom we live and move and have our being, I desire to adore Thee with the deepest humility of body and soul. I bless Thee, and give Thee thanks that Thou hast

created me out of nothing, made me in Thine own image and likeness, capable of loving Thee, and of eternal happiness in Thee; that Thou hast redeemed me with the precious blood of Thy SON, and dost sanctify me with Thy HOLY SPIRIT; that Thou hast called me into Thy Church, numbered me among Thy priests, assisted me by Thy grace, admitted me to Thy Sacraments, watched over me by Thy Providence, blessed me, notwithstanding my sins and unworthiness, with the continuance of Thy gracious protection, and for all the innumerable blessings which I owe to Thine undeserved bounty, especially for Thy merciful preservation of me the night past, and bringing me safely to this present day. What return can I make unto Thee, O my GOD, for all that Thou hast done unto me? I will bless Thy Holy Name, and serve Thee all the days of my life.

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me bless His Holy Name.

ACT OF REPENTANCE AND RESOLVE.

O my GOD, how ill have I hitherto lived, how little have I done for Thee. I am heartily sorry for all my waste of Thy grace, and loss of the time which Thou gavest me, in Thy infinite mercy, to be employed in Thy service and in working out my salvation. O my GOD, I would hate all the sins I have committed against Thy Divine Majesty: I would be sorry for love of Thee that I ever offended Thee, because sin is so displeasing to Thee. I would love Thee with my whole heart and soul, and would firmly purpose by the help of Thy grace to serve Thee faithfully for the time to come. Receive, I beseech Thee, the remainder of my life.

I will now begin, and will endeavour to spend this day according to Thy holy will. I will carefully avoid the failings to which I am subject (N), and will practise the virtues of my state of life and employment.

AN OFFERING OF YOURSELF.

I offer to Thee, O my GOD, the life and death of Thine only SON, and in union with them I humbly offer up myself, my soul and body, my thoughts and purposes, my words and actions, my affections and resolutions, my hopes and fears and sufferings, of this day and of my whole life, in honour of Thy Divine Majesty, in thanksgiving for Thy benefits, in repentance for my sins, and in petition for the help of Thy grace, that persevering to the end in doing Thy holy will, I may love and praise Thee eternally in Thy glory.

ACT OF PETITION.

Thou knowest, O GOD, how weak and unable I am to do good. Leave me not to myself, but take me into Thy protection, and give me grace faithfully to fulfil these sacred duties. Enlighten my understanding with a living faith, sustain my will with a firm hope, and enkindle in it a fervent charity. Strengthen my weakness and heal the corruption of my heart. Grant that overcoming my enemies both visible and invisible I may make good use of Thy grace. Give me the virtues I most want (N), and vouchsafe to add to these blessings the gift of endurance and perseverance to the end.

℣. Our help is in the Name of the LORD.
℟. Who hath made heaven and earth.

℣. Vouchsafe, O LORD, to keep us this day without sin.
℟. O LORD, have mercy upon us,
Have mercy upon us.
℣. O LORD, let Thy mercy be shewed upon us :
℟. As we do put our trust in Thee.
℣. O LORD, hear our prayer :
℟. And let our cry come unto Thee.

O Almighty GOD, Who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men, grant unto Thy servants to love the thing which Thou commandest, and desire that which Thou dost promise: that so among the sundry and manifold changes of the world our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found : through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Prevent us, O LORD, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favour, and further us with Thy continual help ; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy holy Name, and finally, by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life : through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR GUARDIANSHIP.

O Everlasting GOD, Who hast ordained and constituted the services of Angels and men in a wonderful order : mercifully grant, that as Thy Holy Angels alway do Thee service in Heaven, so by Thy appointment they may succour and defend us on earth : through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

FOR LOVE.

O LORD JESU CHRIST, make me to love Thee

fervently and more and more; make me to feel with what a boundless love Thou hast loved me. O LORD, I desire to love Thee, which without Thee I cannot do. Give me, O LORD my GOD, a reverent, humble, grateful love; a love sorrowing for all mine offences for love of Thee who hast so loved me, and a humble confidence in Thy Passion; Who livest and reignest, One GOD for ever and ever. *Amen.*

FOR TRUTH.

O GOD, the GOD of Truth, mercifully grant that the Holy Spirit of Truth may rule my heart, grafting therein the love of truth, and making me in all my thoughts and words and works to study, speak, and follow truth, that I may be sincere before men, and blameless before Thee: for His sake Who is the Truth—in Whose most Blessed Mouth was no deceit—JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

FOR HOLINESS OF LIFE.

O most Holy LORD JESU CHRIST, the Lover of purity, Whose eyes behold me in every place: cleanse my heart, I beseech Thee, by the fire of Thy Holy Spirit, that for love of Thee I may hate the very thought of evil, and be watchful to speak and do only what is holy and well-pleasing in Thy sight, that I may obtain the blessing Thou hast promised to the pure in heart, and may never be separated from Thee; Who livest and reignest with the FATHER, in the unity of the HOLY GHOST, One GOD, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR TEMPERANCE.

O Almighty FATHER, Who hast bountifully pro-

vided for all our wants, preserve me from self-indulgence and excess in the use of Thy creatures, and give me the spirit of temperance and sobriety, that in eating and drinking I may seek only to serve my necessity with moderation and thanksgiving, and not my pleasure. Grant me rather to hunger and thirst after righteousness, and so to keep under my body that my spirit may be always wakeful and ready for Thy service, and I may be found worthy to be admitted to the Eternal Supper of the Lamb; for His sake Who hungered and thirsted for us—JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

AGAINST EVIL THOUGHTS.

O Eternal GOD, mercifully regard my prayers, and deliver my heart from the temptation of wicked thoughts, that I may be meet to be the temple of the HOLY GHOST: through CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

IN ANXIETY.

O JESU, Who didst say to the troubled waters, "Peace, be still," still my heart in this uncertainty (as to my future health, and work, and home) that it may rest in Thee. May the thought of Thy will cheer the past, calm the present, give me rest of soul in fear of the future, quietness in anxiety, simple dependence upon Thee, Thy good pleasure, Thy providence, and Thy love; that whatever befall me I may be patient and still for love of Thee, and in patience may win my soul. *Amen.*

FOR RENEWAL.

O blessed JESU, Who on the first day of the week

didst rise from the dead that Thou mightest be our Resurrection and Life, raise me up now from the death of sin that I may walk in newness of life, and hereafter rise to a happy eternity with Thee, Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. *Amen.*

FOR TRUE CONTRITION—BEFORE CELEBRATING.

O GOD, FATHER Almighty, Who art the Maker of all things, I humbly implore Thee that whilst I confess before Thine Almighty Majesty that I, Thy servant, have grievously offended, Thou wouldest stretch out unto me the right hand of Thy compassion; to the end that while I present to Thy loving-kindness this offering for my sins, Thou, O most Merciful, wilt be pleased to absolve me from the wickedness which I have committed: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

O GOD of mercy, compassion, and pardon, forgive, I beseech Thee, and pity me Thy servant; graciously be pleased to accept the offering which I present for my sins; of Thy favourable pity and tender mercy pardon whatsoever defilements I have contracted by carnal will and frailty; and grant unto me space for repentance and plenteous tears, that I may be counted worthy to receive of Thee forgiveness of my offences: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

O GOD, Who art the Saviour of all that live, Who desirest not the death of sinners, neither hast pleasure in the death of those that die; I humbly implore Thee to grant me pardon of my offences, that I may mourn over my trespasses and hereafter sin no more; that whensoever the last day and end

of my life shall come, the Holy Angel may receive me cleansed from all sin: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

FOR FRIENDS.

O GOD, Who pourest the gift of charity into the hearts of Thy faithful people through the grace of the Holy Spirit; grant unto Thy servants (. . . . .) and all for whom I entreat Thy mercy, health of soul and body, that they may love Thee with all their strength, and with all their love accomplish Thy will: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

FOR THE SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Pour down Thy blessing, O Heavenly FATHER, upon those children whom Thou hast committed to my charge, and give me grace to train them in Thy faith, fear, and love, that as they grow in years they may grow in grace, and may hereafter be found in the number of Thine elect children: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

FOR THE CONVERSION OF SINNERS.

Almighty GOD, we beseech Thee to hear our prayers for such as sin against Thee, or neglect to serve Thee (especially . . . .) that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to bestow upon them true repentance and earnest longing for Thy service: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

FOR THE PERSEVERANCE OF THE FAITHFUL.

Vouchsafe, we beseech Thee, O LORD, to strengthen and confirm all Thy faithful (especially

. . . . . . and the Communicants in this Parish), and to lift them more and more continually to heavenly desires: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

FOR SCHISMATICS.

Almighty GOD, Who willest not that any should perish, send down Thy Holy Spirit, we beseech Thee, upon those who have been deceived by the fraud and malice of the devil, that they may cast away every false opinion, and with hearts enlightened to the knowledge of their end, may return once more into the Unity of Thy Truth: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

FOR UNBELIEVERS.

O LORD, Holy FATHER, Almighty and Everlasting GOD, we pray Thee that Thou wouldest make the path of Thy Truth and Wisdom plain before those who wander uncertainly and doubtfully in the darkness of this world, that when the eye of their soul is opened, they may acknowledge The One GOD, the Father in the Son, and the Son in the Father, and the Holy Ghost proceeding from the Father, and may attain the reward of this confession in the world to come. *Amen.*

FOR GRACE.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, look mercifully upon Thy people, and bestow upon us the abundance of Thy heavenly grace, that, assisted by Thy comfort here, we may ever strive more earnestly after everlasting blessedness: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

FOR CONSECRATION.

O FATHER of mercies, Who hast foreordained Thine elect to be conformed to the image of Thy Son; so conform us, we beseech Thee, unto Him in holiness, that when He shall appear, we may be made like unto Him in glory: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

FOR SPIRITUAL INTUITION.

O Almighty GOD, help Thou our weakness, and because we can neither perform nor even pray for what is right of ourselves as of ourselves, arouse by Thy Holy Spirit in our hearts good desires, and may He Himself intercede for us with groanings that cannot be uttered, that by Thy loving-kindness there may be given unto us both the will to ask, and the power to accomplish, what is well pleasing unto Thee: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who liveth. *Amen.*

The LORD bless us and preserve us from evil, and bring us safely to everlasting life. *Amen.*

(*Each of these offices is considered to take half an hour. Here, or before service in Church, may be said the* Præparatio ad Eucharistiam, Avancini, p. 457.)

Sive.

DIE DOMINICA (MANE).

Precatio cum surgis.

In Nomine D. N. J. C. Crucifixi surgo. Ille me

benedicat, regat, custodiat, et ad vitam perduca æternam. *Amen.*

Precatio cum surrexeris.

Tibi, O Sancte Pater Omnipotens, Æterne Deus, gratias debitas ago, quod me hac nocte per misericordiam Tuam custodire dignatus sis. Et precor summam Clementiam Tuam ut mihi concedas hodiernum diem ita consumere, in fide, spe, charitate, patientia, timore et sollicitudine, ut servitus mea Tuæ placeat Majestati. *Amen.*

Mox inter vestiendum.

Gloria tibi, Domine, tibi Gloria, Gloria qui mihi somnum dederis in reparationem infirmitatis, et in requiem laborum hujus fragilis carnis.

Hanc diem, et omnem, perfectam, sanctam, placidam, sanam, peccati immunem transigere,

Concede, Domine.

Angelum pacis, fidum ducem, custodem animarum et corporum, castrametantem in circuitu meo, et mihi salutaria semper suggerentem,

Concede, Domine.

Veniam et remissionem omnium peccatorum et delictorum omnium,

Concede, Domine.

Bona, et quæ animabus nostris expediunt, et pacem mundo,

Concede, Domine.

Reliquum vitæ nostræ tempus in pœnitentia et reverentia, in sanitate et pace transigere,

Concede, Domine.

Quæcumque vera, quæcumque decora, quæcumque justa, quæcumque casta, quæcumque amabilia,

quæcumque bonæ famæ, si qua virtus, si qua laus, hæc cogitare et hæc facere,

Concede, Domine.

Christianos vitæ nostræ exitus, peccati, pudoris, et, si Tibi videbitur, doloris expertes, et defensionem bonam ante tremendum et terribile tribunal JESU CHRISTI Domini nostri,

Concede, Domine.

Jam vestitus, stans ad mensam precatoriam:—

✠ In Nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti. *Amen.*

Exaudi orationem meam: ad Te omnis caro veniet.—Ps. lxv. 2.

HYMNUS MATUTINUS (474 A and M).

Ἐξεργηθέντες τοῦ ὕπνου
Προσπίπτομέν Σοι, Ἀγαθὲ,
Καὶ τῶν ἀγγέλων τὸν ὕμνον
Βοῶμέν Σοι, Δυνατὲ,
Ἅγιος, Ἅγιος, Ἅγιος εἶ ὁ Θεὸς,
διά τὸ ἐλέος Σου ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς.

Τῆς κλίνης καὶ τοῦ ὕπνου
Ἐξεγειράς με, Κύριε,
Τον νοῦν μου φώτισον, καὶ τὴν καρδίαν,
Καὶ τὰ χείλη μου ἄνοιξον,
Εἰς το ὑμνεῖν Σε, Ἁγία Τριὰς,
Ἅγιος κ.τ.λ.

Ἀθρόον ὁ Κριτὴς ἐπελεύσεται,
Καὶ ἑκάστου αἱ πράξεις γυμνωθήσονται,
Ἀλλά φόβῳ κράξωμεν ἐν τῷ μέσῳ τῆς νυκτός,
Ἅγιος κ.τ.λ.

Horologion, Cent. ii.—iv.

PSALM LIV.

1 Deus, in Nomine Tuo salvum me fac :
Et in virtute Tua judica me.
2 Deus, exaudi orationem meam :
Auribus percipe verba oris mei.
3 Quoniam alieni insurrexerunt adversum me,
Et fortes quæsierunt animam meam :
Et non proposuerunt Deum ante conspectum suum.
4 Ecce enim Deus adjuvat me :
Et Dominus susceptor est animæ meæ.
5 Averte mala inimicis meis :
Et in veritate Tua disperde illos.
6 Voluntarie sacrificabo Tibi,
Et confitebor Nomini Tuo, Domine :
Quoniam bonum est.
7 Quoniam ex omni tribulatione eripuisti me :
Et super inimicos meos despexit oculus meus.
Gloria Patri, etc.

PSALM CXVIII.

1 Confitemini Domino quoniam bonus :
Quoniam in sæculum misericordia Ejus.
2 Dicat nunc Israel quoniam bonus :
Quoniam in sæculum misericordia Ejus.
3 Dicat nunc domus Aaron :
Quoniam in sæculum misericordia Ejus.

4 Dicant nunc qui timent Dominum :
Quoniam in sæculum misericordia Ejus.
5 De tribulatione invocavi Dominum :
Et exaudivit me in latitudine Dominus.
6 Dominus mihi adjutor :
Non timebo quid faciat mihi homo.
7 Dominus mihi adjutor :
Et ego despiciam inimicos meos.
8 Bonum est confidere in Domino,
Quam confidere in homine :
9 Bonum est sperare in Domino,
Quam sperare in principibus.
10 Omnes gentes circuierunt me :
Et in Nomine Domini quia ultus sum in eos.
11 Circumdantes circumdederunt me :
Et in Nomine Domini quia ultus sum in eos.
12 Circumdederunt me sicut apes, et exarserunt sicut ignis in spinis :
Et in Nomine Domine quia ultus sum in eos.
13 Impulsus eversus sum ut caderem :
Et Dominus suscepit me.
14 Fortitudo mea et laus mea Dominus :
Et factus est mihi in salutem.
15 Vox exultationis, et salutis in tabernaculis justorum.
16 Dextera Domini fecit virtutem :
Dextera Domini exaltavit me,
Dextera Domini fecit virtutem.
17 Non moriar, sed vivam :
Et narrabo opera Domini.
18 Castigans castigavit me Dominus :
Et morti non tradidit me.
19 Aperite mihi portas justitiæ :
Ingressus in eas confitebor Domino :

20 Hæc porta Domini :
Justi intrabunt in eam.
21 Confitebor Tibi quoniam exaudisti me :
Et factus es mihi in salutem.
22 Lapidem, quem reprobaverunt ædificantes :
Hic factus est in caput anguli.
23 A Domino factum est istud :
Et est mirabile in oculis nostris.
24 Hæc est dies, quam fecit Dominus :
Exultemus et lætemur in ea.
25 O Domine, salvum me fac :
O Domine, bene prosperare :
26 Benedictus qui venit in Nomine Domini :
Benediximus vobis de domo Domini :
27 Deus Dominus, et illuxit nobis :
Constituite diem solemnem in condensis, usque ad cornu altaris.
28 Deus meus es Tu, et confitebor Tibi :
Deus meus es Tu, et exaltabo Te.
29 Confitemini Domino quoniam bonus :
Quoniam in sæculum misericordia Ejus.
Alleluia. Gloria Patri, etc.

Antiphona : Te Deum Patrem Ingenitum, Te Filium Unigenitum, Te Spiritum Sanctum Paraclitum, Sanctam et Individuam Trinitatem toto corde et ore confitemur, laudamus atque benedicimus : Tibi gloria in sæcula.

CAPITULUM.

Regi sæculorum, Immortali, Invisibili, soli Deo, honor et gloria in sæcula sæculorum. *Amen.*
Deo Gratias.

℟. JESU CHRISTE, Fili Dei vivi, miserere nobis.

℣. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris. Miserere. Gloria. JESU.

℣. Fidelium animæ per Dei misericordiam in pace requiescant.

℟. Amen.

(Meditatio ex Avancini Lectionibus.)

Inde flexis genubus, sequatur,

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison. Pater noster, etc.

Confiteor Deo: quia ego peccator peccavi nimis corde: ore: opere: omissione: meâ culpâ (N). Ideo precor ut misereatur mei Omnipotens Deus: et dimittat mihi omnia peccata mea: liberet me ab omni malo, conservet et confirmet in omni opere bono: et perducat me ad vitam æternam. *Amen.*

Veni, Sancte Spiritus, reple Tuorum corda fidelium, et Tui amoris in eis ignem accende.

PRO GUBERNATIONE DIVINA.

Domine Deus Omnipotens, adaperi cor meum, et Sancti Spiritus gratia illumina ad petenda ea quæ sunt Tuæ voluntati bene placita. Dirige cogitationes meas, et sensus; et dispone actus meos ad mandata Tua: ut, ea jugiter opere complere studeam, et cœlestis vitæ gaudia sempiterna percipiam. Per D. N. J. C. *Amen.* (Beda.)

GRATIARUM ACTIO.

Deus Sancte Sanctorum, Deus Omnipotens, Deus Æterne, Deus spirituum et omnis carnis, a Cujus vultu tremit et cœlum et terra, Te adorant,

Te celebrant omnes creaturæ. Et ego meâ erga Te fide adductus hodie cordis mei genua flecto sub Tuæ Majestatis pedes. Gratias Tibi ago quod me, cum nihil essem, non solum finxisti, verum etiam ad Imaginem Tuam, hoc est optimè. Quod mihi nihil pro merito pietatem indideris, quod arcanis Ecclesiæ Tuæ sacramentis sanctificaris, quod de bonis Tuis omnibus jam inde a puero indicaris. Atqui, O Conditor cæli et terræ et maris, cum Tibi usui esse non queam, cujusnam gratia Tuam in me beneficentiam ostendis? Tuo beneficio et olim sum natus et innumerabilibus donis ornatus: Tuum beneficium ac Tua benignitas hæc omnia fecit. Ipse vero quum pro horum uno gratias non sufficiam, quomodo pro tot millibus referre possem? quomodo tenebræ laudabunt Lucem? quomodo vanitas Veritatem? quomodo mortalis Tuam immortalitatem? quomodo immundities puritatem? Quis vero collaudabit opera Tua? quis Tuas annuntiabit laudes? Sed Tu, ut indulgentissimus Pater vota nostra suscipis et liberorum Tuorum gratiarum actiones qualescumque boni consulis. Itaque dignum me fac, Deus bone, ut Tibi gratias agam, ut Tuas laudes jugiter personem, ut Tuæ caritati adhæream, ut Tibi pro beneficiis et multis et magnis, quibus me honoratum fecisti, gratias agam, ut periculorum nomine, quibus me sæpe liberasti, gratias persolvam. Pro omnibus denique, tum jucundis tum adversis, officium rependam quando omnia in bono judicio fecisti.

Quando Tu Dominus existis animorum et corporum nostrorum, vitæ et mortis, sanitatis et morbi, felicitatis et infelicitatis. Breviter, omnium rerum momenta in Tua sunt manu. Lætificas beneficia

conferendo, contristas objurgando, differs corrigendo, consolaris nostram ignaviam ad Te revocando. Gloria variæ Tuæ sapientiæ. Gloria ineffabili Tuæ potentiæ. Laus insatiabili Tuo in genus humanum amori.

Guberna et vitæ nostræ reliquum Dux mitis et Gubernator vigilans. Tu enim Gubernator noster. Dirigat igitur clavum Tua manus, quò ipsa voluerit, quò ipsa decreverit. Neque enim in arcu meo sperabo, neque gladius me servabit, sed dextera Tua, sed brachium Tuum, sed illuminatio clarissimi vultus Tui. *Amen.*

(Enchiridion.)

PRO CUSTODIA DIEI SEQUENTIS.

Mecum esto, Domine Deus Sabaoth ; mane cum surrexero intende ad me, et guberna omnes actus meos, et verba mea, et cogitationes meas, ut totam diem transigam in Tua voluntate. Da mihi, Domine, timorem Tuum, cordis compunctionem, conscientiæ puritatem ; ut terram despiciam, cœlum suspiciam, peccata oderim, et justitiam diligam. Planta in me Domine, castitatem mentis, veram patientiam, lætitiam spiritualem, animi stabilitatem, humilitatem non fictam, fraternam charitatem. Custodi oculos meos, ne videant vanitatem ; custodi aures meas ne audiant mendacium, sed semper apertæ sint quotidie ad audiendum verbum Dei ; custodi manus meas ne operentur iniquitatem, sed potius eleventur in precibus Domino mundæ et puræ, sine ira et disceptatione ; custodi os meum ne loquar vana, ne detraham absentibus, ne maledicam præsentibus, ne respondeam maledictum pro maledicto. Sed, e contrario, benedicam Te,

Domine, in omni tempore; semper laus Tua in ore meo, in sæcula et in sæcula sæculorum: per JESUM CHRISTUM Salvatorem nostrum. *Amen.*

(S. Hieronymus.)

PRO SPIRITU OBEDIENTIÆ.

Deus, qui fidelium mentes unius efficis voluntatis: da populis Tuis id amare quod præcipis, id desiderare quod promittis, ut inter mundanas varietates ibi nostra fixa sint corda, ubi vera sunt gaudia: per D. N. J. C. *Amen.*

AD IMPETRANDAM SAPIENTIAM.

Fragilitatem nostram quæsumus, Domine, propitius respice, et saporem nobis æternæ sapientiæ benignus infunde; ut ejus dulcedine melliflua prægustata, omnia terrena valeamus despicere et Tibi Summo Bono ardenti desiderio jugiter adhærere: per D. N. J. C. *Amen.*

PRO ANGELORUM AUXILIO.

Deus, qui miro ordine angelorum ministeria hominumque dispensas: concede propitius ut a quibus Tibi ministrantibus in cælo semper assistitur, ab his in terra vita nostra muniatur: per D. N. J. C. *Amen.*

PRO AMORE.

Deus, qui diligentibus Te bona invisibilia præparasti; infunde cordibus nostris Tui amoris affectum, ut Te in omnibus et super omnia diligentes promissiones Tuas, quæ omne desiderium superant, consequamur: per D. N. J. C. *Amen.*

AD SANCTUM DEI TIMOREM.

Da nobis, quæsumus, Domine, sapientiæ Tuæ initium, veræ justitiæ fundamentum, virtutum omnium custodiam et propugnaculum, sanctum timorem Tuum; ut et debilitati nostræ timentes et judicia Tua pertimescentes, quidquid nos a Te Tuaque gratia divellere potest fugiamus, vitamque nostram summa sollicitudine et circumspectione componamus: per D. N. J. C. *Amen.*

PRO SOBRIETATE.

Omnipotens Sempiterne Deus, qui per continentiam salutarem et corporibus mederis et mentibus; majestatem Tuam supplices exoramus, ut omnia voluptaria et superflua resecantes, devotio nos sancta lætificet; quatenus terrenis affectibus mitigatis, facilius cælestia capiamus. Per D. N. J. C. *Amen.*

PRO MODESTIA.

Deus et Creator noster, qui omnia in numero pondere et mensura creasti; tempera ab inutilibus cogitationibus cor nostrum, affectus animæ moderare, refræna linguam, appetitus cohibe, internum externumque hominem compone: ut nostra modestia Te PATREM, et quem misisti JESUM CHRISTUM, ac PARACLETUM SPIRITUM glorificet; cui gloria et honor in sæcula. *Amen.*

PRO VOLUNTATE DEI PERFICIENDA.

Deus mi, sanctissimæ voluntati Tuæ me totum perfectissimæ tradam, et adstringam; paratus omnia et agere et pati, vivere vel mori, prout Tu

volueris. In gravissimis etiam ærumnis, summo mihi solatio sit rectissima voluntas Tua. Nunc ergo mihi hanc unicam et vivendi et moriendi regulam da statuere :—"Fiat voluntas Domini, fiat, fiat." *Amen.*

PRO SALUTARI VITÆ STATU.

Domine Deus Æterne, qui cuncta gubernas, disponis, et moderaris, invoco paternam pietatem Tuam ; et peto ut locum ac statum talem mihi provideas, ubi congruenter ad Tuam gloriam, et ad meam salutem, Tibi valeam famulari : per D. N. J. C. *Amen.*

PRO GRATIA.

Deus, qui per Unigeniti Tui gloriosam resurrectionem æternitatis nobis aditum, devicta morte, reserasti : præsta, quæsumus, ut vota nostra quæ præveniendo aspiras, etiam adjuvando prosequaris. Per eundem D. N. J. C. *Amen.*

IN MEMORIAM RESURRECTIONIS DOMINICÆ.

Domine, Jesu Christe, Qui redivivus ex mortuis diem illum exspectatissimum quem fecit Dominus, mortalibus revexisti ; fac me a morte peccatorum excitatum, in novitate vitæ ambulare, ut in Resurrectione illa in novissimo die cum manifestatus fueris Vita nostra, et ego Tecum manifester in gloria, Qui vivis et regnas cum, etc. *Amen.*

ANTE EUCHARISTIAM CELEBRANDAM.

Deus, Fons bonitatis et pietatis Origo, qui pec cantem non statim judicas, sed ad pœnitentiam

miseratus expectas; Te quæso ut facinorum meorum squalores abstergas, et me ad peragendum injunctum officium dignum efficias; et qui altaris Tui ministerium suscepi indignus, perago trepidus, ad id peragendum reddar strenuus, et inter eos qui Tibi placuerunt invenlar justificatus: per D. N. J. C. *Amen.*

PRO AMICIS.

Commendo Tibi, Domine, Omnipotens Sempiterne Deus, sanctam Ecclesiam Tuam ac totius mundi populum. Commendo meos parentes, conjugem, liberos, fratres ac sorores, benefactores, amicos, et alios pro quibus precari debeo. His omnibus peto Tuam gratiam, perfectionem, et vitam æternam dari: per D. N. J. C. *Amen.*

PRO EPISCOPIS, PASTORIBUS, ET GREGIBUS.

Meminisse, Domine, digneris Sanctorum Patrum nostrorum, venerabilis Presbyterii, et universi Cleri, recte secantis verbum veritatis, et recto pede incedentis in eodem. Enutri infantes, juventutem erudi, senectutem sustenta, pusillanimos consolare, dispersos congrega, errantes reduc, et sanctæ Tuæ et Catholicae et Apostolicæ Ecclesiæ annecte. Compesce schismata Ecclesiarum, exstingue fremitus Gentium, et nos omnes recipe in Regnum Tuum, filios lucis comprobans, Tuamque Pacem et Charitatem concede nobis Domine, Deus noster: per D. N. J C. *Amen.*

PRO INFIDELIBUS.

O sancta, adoranda, et longanimis Trinitas! Longanimis enim es, quæ eos, a quibus scinderis,

tamdiu toleras. O Trinitas, cujus ego ut cultor ac minime fictus præco essem, jam pridem dignus habitus sum; O Trinitas omnibus aliquando vel per illuminationem vel per pœnam agnoscenda! Oro Te, ut hos quoque meæ curæ demandatos qui nunc contumeliis Te afficiunt, adoratores accipias, ne quisquam vel ex minimis pereat; et hoc, etiamsi mihi propterea aliqua gratiæ jactura facienda sit. Neque enim tantum dicere audeo, quantum Apostolus. Concede autem hoc per et propter merita JESU CHRISTI Redemptoris nostri. *Amen.*

(S. Greg. Nazian.)

SUBMISSIO MEI IPSIUS.

O Domine, mea omnia et me ipsum Tibi dono et offero, actionem et sermonem, quietem et silentium. Tantum me habeas et ducas; et manum et mentem et linguam, ad ea quæ honesta sunt et Tibi grata, moveas; et ab omnibus, a quibus abstinere præstat, abducas: per, et propter, JESUM CHRISTUM Dominum nostrum. *Amen.* (S. Greg. Nazian.)

PRO ALTERIUS VITÆ CUPIDITATE.

Animæ obscurus teterque carcer hoc corpus est: exilium quasi, et amandatio hic mundus: cura tantum et miseria vita nostra est: ubi Tu es, Domine, ibi vera patria, libertas, sempiterna felicitas. Excita interim mentes nostras ad tantam felicitatem animo appetendam. Affunde cordibus nostris preciosarum et expetendarum rerum omnium cupiditatem. Da mentibus nostris quietem, et concede, ut aliquo gustu æternarum felicitatum fruentes, rebus humanis posthabitis, dulcedinem consuetu-

dinis Tuæ ardenter concupiscamus, in qua bonitas omnis continetur. Tibi gloria ad æternitatem. Alleluia. *Amen.*

PRO BENEDICTIONE.

Ipse Dominus pacis det nobis pacem sempiternam in omni loco. Dominus sit nobiscum omnibus. *Amen.*

(Ante Liturgiam dicenda est *Præparatio ad Eucharistiam*, Avancini, p. 457.)

Monday Morning.

The first orisons, as on Sunday.

When dressed, stand at a prie-dieu, and say,

✠ In the Name of the FATHER, and of the SON, and of the HOLY GHOST. *Amen.*

O Thou, that hearest prayer, unto Thee shall a'l flesh come. Alleluia.

THE HYMN.

NOW that the daylight fills the sky,
We lift our hearts to GOD on high,
That He, in all we do or say,
Would keep us free from harm to-day.

May He restrain our tongues from strife,
And shield from anger's din our life,
And guard with watchful care our eyes
From earth's absorbing vanities.

O may our inmost hearts be pure,
From thoughts of folly kept secure,
And pride of sinful flesh subdued
Through sparing use of daily food.

So we, when this day's work is o'er,
And shades of night return once more,
Our path of trial safely trod,
Shall give the glory to our GOD.

All praise to GOD the FATHER be,
All praise, Eternal SON, to Thee,
Whom with the SPIRIT we adore
For ever and for evermore. Amen.

PSALM LIV. (*See Sunday Office.*)

PSALM XXIV. *Domini est terra.*

Ascension of Christ.

1 The earth is the LORD'S, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.

2 For He hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods.

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? and who shall stand in His holy place?

4 He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, and hath not sworn deceitfully.

5 He shall receive a blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the GOD of his salvation.

6 This is the generation of them that seek after Him, that seek thy face, O *God of* Jacob.

7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in.

8 Who is the King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; yea, lift them up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in.

10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory.

PSALM CXIX. 1-16. *Beati immaculati.*

The blessedness of unreserved obedience to the law of God.

1 Blessed are they that are perfect in the way, who walk in the law of the LORD.

2 Blessed are they that keep His testimonies, that seek Him with the whole heart.

3 Yea, they do no unrighteousness; they walk in His ways.

4 Thou hast commanded *us* thy precepts, that we should observe them diligently.

5 O that my ways were established to observe Thy statutes!

6 Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all Thy commandments.

7 I will give thanks unto Thee with uprightness of heart, when I learn Thy righteous judgments.

8 I will observe Thy statutes: O forsake me not utterly.

In quo corriget?

The security in it from error and sin.

9 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed *thereto* according to Thy word.

10 With my whole heart have I sought Thee: O let me not wander from Thy commandments.
11 Thy word have I laid up in mine heart, that I might not sin against Thee.
12 Blessed art Thou, O LORD: teach me Thy statutes.
13 With my lips have I declared all the judgments of Thy mouth.
14 I have rejoiced in the way of Thy testimonies, as much as in all riches.
15 I will meditate in Thy precepts, and have respect unto Thy ways.
16 I will delight myself in Thy statutes: I will not forget Thy word.

Antiphon: Blessed are they that are perfect in the way.

THE CHAPTER. *Zech.* viii. 16.

Execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates, saith the LORD.

℟. JESU CHRIST, Son of the living GOD, have mercy upon us.
℣. Thou that sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy upon us.
℟. JESU CHRIST, Son of the living GOD, have mercy upon us.
℣. O LORD, arise, help us.
℟. And deliver us for Thy Name's sake.
℣. Unto Thee have I cried, O LORD.
℟. And early shall my prayer come before Thee.
℣. O let my mouth be filled with Thy praise.
℟. That I may sing of Thy glory and honour all the day long.

℣. Turn Thy face from my sins.
℟. And put out all my misdeeds.
℣. Make me a clean heart, O GOD.
℟. And renew a right spirit within me.
℣. Cast me not away from Thy presence.
℟. And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
℣. Give me the comfort of Thy help again.
℟. And stablish me with Thy free Spirit.
℣. Our help is in the name of the LORD.
℟. Who hath made heaven and earth.

(*On holy days a special anthem and collect may be used from the Supplement*, p. 177.)

℣. May the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of GOD, rest in peace.
℟. Amen.

(*Here use the Meditation for the day from* Avancini.)

(*The Meditation ended, stand and say the prayer on* p. 420, Suscipe Domine.)

Then,

Turn Thee unto me, and have mercy upon me, as Thou usest to do unto those that love Thy Name.

Come, HOLY GHOST, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing SPIRIT art,
Who dost Thy sevenfold gifts impart:

Thy blessèd unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love;
Enable with perpetual light
The dulness of our blinded sight:

Anoint and cheer our soilèd face
With the abundance of Thy grace:
Keep far our foes, give peace at home:
Where Thou art Guide no ill can come.

Teach us to know the FATHER, SON,
And THEE, of both, to be but ONE:
That through the ages all along
This mây be our endless song,
Praise to Thy eternal merit,
FATHER, SON, and HOLY SPIRIT. Amen.

Here kneel and say,

LORD, have mercy, etc.
Our FATHER, etc.

THE CONFESSION.

I will confess my wickedness, and be sorry for my sin. O Thou that beholdest all things, I have sinned against Thee in thought, word, and deed: blot out my trespasses, especially . . . . be merciful unto me, a sinner, and grant that my name may be found written in the Book of Life, for JESUS CHRIST'S sake. *Amen.*

Almighty GOD, Who dwellest in the highest heavens, and yet vouchsafest to regard the lowest creature upon earth, I humbly adore Thy Divine Majesty, and with all the powers of my soul and body, I desire to bless and praise Thy Holy Name for the infinite blessings Thou hast so bountifully bestowed upon me, for the comforts of this life, and the hope of a better, for Thy gracious protection during the night past, and bringing me safely to

the light of another day, for this fair home, and the work in Thy Holy Church, and for the kindness and forbearance of Thy people; and, above all, for the precious death and passion of our LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST. My LORD and my GOD, I humbly offer myself to Thee with all my thoughts, words, and actions, to be in all what Thou willest; and I pray Thee to sanctify them, and to accept the desire of my heart to serve Thee. Continue, O LORD, I beseech Thee, Thy mercy and goodness towards me, and as Thou hast awakened my body from sleep, so raise my soul from sin, that I may walk soberly and honestly as in the day, in all holy obedience before Thy Divine Presence. Deliver me, O merciful GOD, from the evils of this day, and guide my feet in the paths of peace and holiness. Strengthen my resolutions to embrace with gladness the opportunities of doing good, and carefully to avoid all occasions of sin, especially those which I know to be most dangerous to me . . . . And when, through frailty, I forget Thee, do Thou, in Thy mercy, remember me, and revive me with a double portion of Thy grace and Holy Spirit, that I may persevere more earnestly in striving against all which is displeasing to Thee. And of Thy goodness, O LORD, I beseech Thee, to give me the graces and virtues Thou knowest me most to need, especially . . . . Increase and strengthen my faith, that Thy Holy Word may be the guide of my daily life. Teach me to *live* in the spirit of prayer, and to carry out what I pray for in my life and actions. Oh give me a heart delighting in prayer, and teach me day by day in all my necessities to lean on Thee, look to Thee, and call on Thee for help.

Keep me ever near to Thee, and make me more wholly Thine. Give me a loving and patient spirit. Make me kind and humble, gentle and contented, true and sincere. Take from me all dependence upon myself, and give me a firm and humble trust in Thee. And above all, O my GOD, give me an unfailing charity, to love Thee wholly, and my neighbour, for Thy sake, as myself. Make me diligent and faithful in the duties of my calling, remembering that I must one day give an account to Thee for all I do. And in all the trials and changes of this life may I cheerfully submit to Thy Divine Will, and wholly rely on Thy merciful providence. Let Thy blessing be upon my actions, and Thy grace direct my intentions, that the whole course of my life, and every purpose of my heart, may tend to Thy glory, the good of others, and the eternal salvation of my own soul; through JESUS CHRIST, my LORD and only SAVIOUR. *Amen.*

INTERCESSION.

Have mercy, O LORD, upon all men. Pour Thy graces and blessings upon the whole Church, upon the Clergy, especially . . . . our Bishop . . . . Archbishop of . . . . (NN. of Bishops at home and abroad of whom you are wont to make mention, and of clerical brethren), upon my relations . . . . godchildren . . . . school-fellows . . . . masters . . . . pupils . . . . members of the Vestry, Parish-Meetings, District Council, etc., upon the Church-workers . . . . our M.P. . . . . those whose services Thou allowest me . . . . my friends

and benefactors . . . . and all for whom I desire to pray. Supply the needs of all who are hindered from seeking Thee in the appointed means of grace; comfort the sick and sorrowful . . . . and all who love them. Support those who are in their last hour, and turn the hearts of sinners, ... especially those whom I have encouraged or neglected, whose names Thou knowest. For the sake of JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

AGAINST BESETTING SINS.

O JESU, my SAVIOUR and my GOD, Thou Who didst make and redeem me, knowest how weak I am. Thou knowest, O LORD, that I am tempted to . . . . (*e.g.*, unreality, ill-temper, sloth, evil-speaking). But, O LORD, for love of Thee, I would this day keep wholly from all these sins, and be very . . . . (*e.g.*, true-hearted, kind, diligent, courteous). I will not by Thy grace do one (ill-natured) act, or speak one (idle) word, or give one (sullen) look, or harbour one (sinful) thought in my soul. If Thou allow any of these temptations to come upon me this day, I desire to think, speak, and do only what Thou willest. LORD, without Thee I can do nothing, with Thee I can do all. Accept, O LORD, this my desire. Help me, by Thy grace, that I fall not, or if I fall, bring me back quickly to Thee, and grant me to love Thee better, for Thy tender mercies' sake. *Amen.*

PRIESTS' PRAYERS.

FOR THE HOLINESS OF THE PRIESTHOOD.

O LORD GOD Almighty, Who hast separated us

Thy servants from the people, that we may discharge the office of Priests unto Thee, mercifully separate us from sinners, that, according to our calling, we may be an elect race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for Thine own possession: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

FOR THE FULFILMENT OF ORDINATION VOWS.

O GOD, Who hast turned us from the vanities of this world, and dost kindle in us the love of our high calling, inspire our hearts, and pour into us grace to persevere in Thee, that, assisted by Thy power, we may fulfil the solemn vows which we have made, and abiding faithfully in our calling, may arrive at those blessings which Thou hast vouchsafed to promise to those who persevere unto the end: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

THAT THE GRACE OF ORDINATION MAY BE GUARDED.

Grant, we beseech Thee, O LORD, that as Thou hast chosen us to stand before Thee, and to serve in Thy mysteries, so we may never fall from the grace of Holy Orders which we have received of Thy bounty: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

FOR A GOOD STEWARDSHIP.

Hear us, we beseech Thee, O LORD our GOD, and pour forth on us the blessing of Thy Holy Spirit, and grace to strengthen us for the office of Priests, that the beauty of all righteousness may shine forth in us, and also that we may render a

good account of the stewardship entrusted to us, and may attain the reward of everlasting blessedness: through our LORD JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

(*In any affliction, a special prayer may come here.*)

O LORD, let not this my infirmity . . . . hinder Thy grace from descending upon the souls committed to my charge. Make amends to them for my lack of service, and let them not despise nor reject me, but believe that Thou wilt fulfil every need of theirs according to Thy riches in glory in CHRIST JESUS, to Whom be the glory for ever and ever. *Amen.*

FOR SUFFICIENCY.

O great and glorious GOD, Who art of purer eyes than to behold iniquity, I cannot speak to Thee, for I am vile. Yet Thou hast commanded me to draw near to Thy throne of grace, through the merits and mediation of Thy well-beloved SON. For His sake, I beseech Thee, put forth Thine Hand, and touch my mouth, and take away mine iniquity and purge my sin. O LORD, Thou hast called me to be a watchman and a shepherd over a portion of that flock which Thou hast purchased with Thy blood: who is sufficient for these things! Oh that my sufficiency may be of Thee, Who dost make Thy strength perfect in Thy servant's weakness. Give me, I beseech Thee, the tongue of the learned, that I may know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary, and to warn the rebellious. Open my understanding, that I may understand the Scriptures. Talk with me in all my goings-out and comings-in, and make my heart to burn within me. When I speak the

Word of Life to Thy people, make it in me as a burning fire; and do Thou open their hearts to attend to the things that may be spoken. Let Thy Word, O LORD, ever be glorified. Pour out Thy Holy Spirit abundantly on me, that I may give myself continually to prayer and the ministry of the Word: give me the wisdom of the serpent and the harmlessness of the dove: make me instant in season and out of season: let my loins be ever girded about and my light burning. Fill me with such an ardent love for the souls of men, that I count not my life dear unto me, but be ready to die for the Name of the LORD JESUS. Shed abroad Thy love so abundantly in my heart, that I may answer: LORD, Thou knowest all things—Thou knowest that I love Thee. Strengthen me in the inner man with the power of Thy might, that I may pull down all the strongholds of Satan: give me grace to sow seeds of righteousness, in the morning going forth to sow, and in the evening withholding not the hand. And do Thou, O gracious GOD, give the increase that I labour not in vain; but, if it be Thy will, may see the trees of righteousness bud and bring forth fruit abundantly, that our children may grow up as the polished corners of the temple. *Amen.*

FOR GOD'S COMPASSION ON OUR INFIRMITY IN PRAYER.

Almighty GOD, the Fountain of all Wisdom, Who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking, we beseech Thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for

our blindness we cannot, ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of Thy SON, JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

BENEDICTION.

May the blessing of Almighty GOD, the FATHER, the SON, and the HOLY GHOST, be upon me and abide with me, this day and for evermore. *Amen.*

Feria iii. (Mane).

Post primas orationes, sicut in Dominica, inter vestiendum et lavandum, hæ sequantur.

Dum stas ad mensam precatoriam,

✠ In Nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti. *Amen.*

Exaudi orationem meam : ad Te omnis caro veniet. (Ps. lxv. 2.)

HYMNUS MATUTINUS.

Somno refectis artubus,
Spreto cubili surgimus ;
Nobis, Pater, canentibus
Adesse Te deposcimus.

Te lingua primum concinat,
Te mentis ardor ambiat ;
Ut actuum sequentium
Tu, Sancte, sis exordium.

Cedant tenebræ lumini,
Et nox diurno sideri,
Et culpa, quam nox intulit,
Lucis labascat munere.

Precamur iidem supplices,
Noxas ut omnes amputes ;
Et ore Te canentium
Lauderis omni tempore.

Præsta, Pater piissime,
Patrique compar Unice,
Cum Spiritu Paraclito
Regnans per omne sæculum.
(S. Ambrosius.)

PSALM LIV. (*Sicut ante.*)

PSALM XXV. *Remissio peccatorum.*

1 Ad Te, Domine, levavi animam meam.
2 Deus meus in Te confido :
Non erubescam.
3 Neque irrideant me inimici mei :
Etenim universi, qui sustinent Te, non confundentur.
4 Confundantur omnes iniqua agentes supervacue.
Vias Tuas, Domine, demonstra mihi :
Et semitas Tuas edoce me.
5 Dirige me in Veritate Tua, et doce me :
Quia Tu es Deus Salvator meus, et Te sustinui tota die.
6 Reminiscere miserationum Tuarum, et misercordiarum Tuarum,
Quæ a sæculo sunt.

7 Delicta juventutis meæ et ignorantias meas ne
memineris.
Secundum misericordiam Tuam memento mei
Tu :
Propter bonitatem Tuam, Domine.
8 Dulcis et rectus Dominus :
Propter hoc legem dabit delinquentibus in via.
9 Diriget mansuetos in judicio :
Docebit mites vias suas.
10 Universæ viæ Domini misericordia et veritas,
Requirentibus testamentum Ejus et testimonia
Ejus.
11 Propter nomen Tuum, Domine,
Propitiaberis peccato meo, multum est enim.
12 Quis est homo qui timet Dominum?
Legem statuit ei in via, quam elegit.
13 Anima ejus in bonis demorabitur :
Et semen ejus hereditabit terram.
14 Firmamentum est Dominus timentibus Eum :
Et testamentum Ipsius ut manifestetur illis.
15 Oculi mei semper ad Dominum :
Quoniam Ipse evellet de laqueo pedes meos.
16 Respice in me, et miserere mei :
Quia unicus et pauper sum ego.
17 Tribulationes cordis mei multiplicatæ sunt :
De necessitatibus meis erue me.
18 Vide humilitatem meam, et laborem meum :
Et dimitte universa delicta mea.
19 Respice inimicos meos quoniam multiplicati
sunt :
Et odio iniquo oderunt me.
20 Custodi animam meam, et erue me :
Non erubescam, quoniam speravi in Te.
21 Innocentes et recti adhæserunt mihi :
Quia sustinui Te.

22 Libera Deus Israel,
Ex omnibus tribulationibus suis.
Gloria Patri, etc.

PSALM CXIX. *Gimel.*

Subsidium in Lege.

17 Retribue servo Tuo, vivifica me :
Et custodiam sermones Tuos.
18 Revela oculos meos :
Et considerabo mirabilia de lege Tua.
19 Incola ego sum in terra :
Non abscondas a me mandata Tua.
20 Concupivit anima mea desiderare
Justificationes Tuas, in omni tempore.
21 Increpasti superbos :
Maledicti qui declinant a mandatis Tuis.
22 Aufer a me opprobrium, et contemptum :
Quia testimonia Tua exquisivi.
23 Etenim sederunt principes, et adversum me loquebantur :
Servus autem Tuus exercebatur in justificationibus Tuis.
24 Nam et testimonia Tua meditatio mea est :
Et consilium meum justificationes Tuæ.

Daleth.

Requies ejus dolentibus.

25 Adhæsit pavimento anima mea :
Vivifica me secundum verbum Tuum.
26 Vias meas enunciavi, et exaudisti me :
Doce me justificationes Tuas.

27 Viam justificationum Tuarum instrue me :
Et exercebor in mirabilibus Tuis.
28 Dormitavit anima mea præ tædio :
Confirma me in verbis Tuis.
29 Viam iniquitatis amove a me :
Et de lege Tua miserere mei.
30 Viam veritatis elegi :
Judicia Tua non sum oblitus.
31 Adhæsi testimoniis Tuis, Domine :
Noli me confundere.
32 Viam mandatorum Tuorum cucurri :
Cum dilatasti cor meum.
Gloria Patri, etc.

Antiphona: Confirma me in verbis Tuis.

CAPITULUM. *Zech.* viii. 16.

Veritatem, et judicium pacis judicate in portis vestris.

℟. JESU CHRISTE, Fili Dei vivi, miserere nobis.
℣. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.
℟. JESU CHRISTE, Fili Dei vivi, miserere nobis.
℣. Exsurge, Domine, adjuva nos.
℟. Et libera nos propter nomen Tuum.
℣. Ad Te, Domine, clamavi.
℟. Et mane oratio mea præveniet Te.
℣. Repleatur os meum laude.
℟. Ut cantem gloriam Tuam, tota die magnitudinem Tuam.
℣. Averte faciem Tuam a peccatis meis.
℟. Et omnes iniquitates meas dele.
℣. Cor mundum crea in me, Deus.
℟. Et spiritum rectum innova in visceribus meis.

℣. Ne projicias me a facie Tua.
℟. Et Spiritum Sanctum Tuum ne auferas a me.
℣. Redde mihi lætitiam salutaris Tui.
℟. Et Spiritu Principali confirma me.
℣. Adjutorium nostrum in Nomine Domini.
℟. Qui fecit cœlum et terram.

(In festis propria Antiphona et Collecta ex addendis ad finem dicendæ sunt.)

℣. Fidelium animæ per Dei misericordiam in pace requiescant.
℟. Amen.

(Meditatio ex Avancini lectionibus.)

(*Finita Meditatione, stare licet et dicere*, Suscipe Domine, p. 420—Avancini.)

Aspice in me, et miserere mei,
Secundum judicium diligentium nomen Tuum.

INVOCATIO.

Veni, Creator Spiritus,
Mentes Tuorum visita;
Imple superna gratia,
Quæ Tu creasti pectora.
Qui Paraclitus diceris
Donum Dei Altissimi;
Fons vivus, Ignis, Charitas,
Et spiritalis Unctio;
Tu septiformis munere,
Dextræ Dei Tu Digitus,
Tu rite promissum Patris,
Sermone ditans guttura.
Accende lumen sensibus,

Infunde amorem cordibus,
Infirma nostri corporis
Virtute firmans perpetim.
Hostem repellas longius,
Pacemque dones protinus ;
Ductore sic Te prævio,
Vitemus omne noxium.
Da gaudiorum præmia,
Da gratiarum munera,
Dissolve litis vincula,
Adstringe pacis fœdera.
Per Te sciamus, da, Patrem,
Noscamus atque Filium ;
Te utriusque Spiritum,
Credamus omni tempore.
Sit laus Patri cum Filio,
Sancto simul Paraclito ;
Nobisque mittat Filius
Charisma Sancti Spiritus. *Amen.*

Inde, flexis genubus, sequatur,

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison. Pater noster, etc.

Excita Domine potentiam Tuam et veni : ut ab imminentibus peccatorum nostrorum periculis Te mereamur protegente eripi : Te liberante salvari. Qui vivis.

CONFESSIO.

• Confiteor Deo : quia ego peccator peccavi nimis corde : ore : opere : omissione : meâ culpâ (N). Ideo precor ut misereatur mei Omnipotens Deus : et dimittat mihi omnia peccata mea : liberet me ab

omni malo, conservet et confirmet in omni opere bono: et perducat me ad vitam æternam. *Amen.*
(Brev. Eborac.)

PRECATIO MATUTINA AD FILIUM.

Gratias ago Tibi, Domine JESU CHRISTE, quod hanc noctem mihi volueris esse prosperam, neque in peccatis meis me oppresseris, et in exitium dejeceris, sed pœnitentiæ melioris vitæ clementer reservaris. Teque precor, ut diem itidem hunc totum, et omnes dies vitæ meæ, mihi feliciter exoriri facias, beneque fortunes ad Tuam gloriam et animæ meæ salutem: utque Tu, qui es salus et vita mundi, lux vera occasum nesciens, sol æternus omnia vivificans, alens, exhilarans, digneris exoriri, et illucescere menti meæ illamque calore amoris Tui vivificare, pane vitæ alere, fonte aquæ vivæ potare, et exhilarare, ut in Te, Sole justitiæ, et luce æterna, positus pie et immaculate ambulem, nec usquam impingam in ullum peccatum, sed Tuæ divinæ gratiæ perpetuo ductu perveniam ad vitam æternam. *Amen.* (Erasmi.)

ORATIO AD PATREM.

Deus ineffabilis et incircumscriptæ naturæ, Institutor omnium rerum; qui dilectum Filium de sinu Tuo misisti suscipere nostram vitam, ut nobis donaret suam, essetque perfectus Deus et perfectus Homo, Pastor et Ovis, temporaliter mortuus, Tecum in æternum vivens; obsecro Te, ut des mihi, cum eodem Filio Tuo, Te in omnibus benedicere et glorificare. Des etiam mihi per Illum peccatorum omnium veniam, mandatorum Tuorum custodiam, dilectionem Tuam, et erga fratres charitatem per-

fectam, ut nec cor intus iniquitatem concipiat, nec lingua foris parturiat. Precor ut des mihi, ut præcepta Tua efficaciter compleam, ut quicquid in me pravum deprehendero corrigam, quod rectum est teneam, quod sanum servem, quod infirmum corroborem. Des insuper mihi despicere temporalia, et æterna diligere; ut mortuum mihi deputem mundum, et nec blandis corrumpar, nec adversis concutiar. Et quia Ipse Tuus unice Natus dixit "Nemo potest venire ad Me, nisi Pater qui misit Me traxerit eum;" obsecro, Domine, et suppliciter rogo, trahe me Tu ad Ipsum, et Ipse me perducat ad Te illuc, ubi est sempiterna vita sempiterne beata, nullus timor sed unus omnium spiritus; ubi Tu cum Illo, et Ille Tecum, in communione Sancti Spiritus æternaliter vivis et regnas Deus, per omnia sæcula sæculorum. *Amen.* (Alcuinus.)

INTERCESSIO.

Da, Domine JESU CHRISTE, sacerdotibus concordiam, regibus et principibus juste judicantibus tranquillitatem et pacem. Oro etiam, Domine, pro universa Sancta Ecclesia Catholica, pro viris et feminis, pro religiosis et sæcularibus, pro omnibus rectoribus Christianorum, cunctisque in Te credentibus qui pro amore Tui sancto laborant; ut perseverantiam boni operis obtineant. Præsta, Domine, Rex æterne, virginibus castitatem, Deo dicatis continentiam, conjugatis sanctimoniam; pænitentibus indulgentiam, viduis et orphanis sustentationem, pauperibus protectionem, peregrinantibus reditum, lugentibus consolationem, navigantibus in portum venire salutis, optimis ut in bonitate semper consistant, bonis et mediocribus ut meliores

fiant, prave agentibus et delinquentibus (ut mihi misero) ut cito se corrigant.

O dulcissime et misericordissime Domine, JESU CHRISTE, Fili Dei vivi, Redemptor mundi, inter omnes et per omnia me miserum peccatorem confiteor. Sed Tu, Clementissime Pater et Summe, qui omnium misereris, non me patiaris a Tua misericordia fieri alienum: et Tu, Domine, Rex regum, qui inducias vivendi præstas, corrigendi mihi devotionem tribue; excita in me mentem quæ Te requirat, Te desideret, Te semper præ omnibus amet, Te timeat, Tuamque voluntatem faciat.

Præcipue Te, Domine, Sancte Pater, deprecor, qui es benedictus et gloriosus per omnia sæcula; ut omnes qui mei memoriam faciunt in suis orationibus, et qui indignis orationibus meis se commendaverunt, et qui mihi aliquod charitatis officium et pietatis studium impenderunt, et illos qui consanguinitate ac cognationis affectu sunt mihi propinqui (tam et illos qui nunc consistunt in corpore, quam et illos qui teguntur funere), misericorditer gubernare digneris, ne pereant.

Omnibus etiam Christianis vivis adjutorium præstare digneris, et defunctis fidelibus absolutionem et requiem sempiternam. Necnon et illud magnopere supplico, Domine, qui es Α et Ω, ut, cum extrema dies mea finisque vitæ meæ advenerit, Tu mihi sis misericors Judex et perpetuus Defensor, et in societatem angelorum omniumque sanctorum in paradiso Tuo me perseverare facias: Qui es Benedictus in sæcula sæculorum. *Amen.*

(S. Anselmus.)

PRO LIBERATIONE ET PERSEVERANTIA.

O Misericordissime Domine JESU CHRISTE,

casti Conditor amoris, qui me de nihilo creasti, et Tuo pretiosissimo sanguine redemisti Tuam misericordiam supplex imploro et efflagito, ut cor meum fragile longe facias ab amore perverso et carnali. Erue me a tanto periculo, defende me a tam miserabili casu, protege me a tanta circumventione inimici, libera me a tanto laqueo perditionis. Da mihi, misericordissime Domine, fortitudinem resistendi; eleva mentem et cor meum, ut Te amem et timeam, Tibi placeam et serviam; Te verum Deum corde, ore, et opere confitear et agnoscam; et a Tua infinita misericordia me non repellas. Fac me perseverare in bonis et Tibi acceptis operibus: ut in præsenti sic vivam, et semper ad ulteriora procedam; ut in fine hujus transitoriæ vitæ meæ, vitam inveniam in amore Tuo sempiternam. *Amen.* (Jordanus.)

PRO PRESBYTERIS.

Deus, Qui dissimulatis humanæ fragilitatis peccatis, Sacerdotii dignitatem concedis indignis; et non solum peccata dimittis, verum etiam ipsos peccatores justificare dignaris; Cujus est muneris ut non exsistentia sumant exordia, exorta nutrimentum, nutrita fructum, fructuosa perseverandi auxilium; Qui me non exsistentem creasti, creatum fidei firmitate ditasti, fidelem, quamvis peccatis squalentem, Sacerdotii dignitate donasti, Tuam omnipotentiam supplex exposco, ut me a præteritis peccatis emacules, in mundi hujus cursu a bonis operibus corrobores, et in perseverantiæ soliditate confirmes. Sicque me facias Tuis altaribus deservire, ut ad eorum qui Tibi placuerunt sacerdotum consortium valeam pervenire: et per Eum Tibi

sic meum acceptabile votum, Qui se Tibi obtulit in Sacrificium, Qui est omnium Opifex, et solus sine peccati maculâ Pontifex JESUS CHRISTUS, Dominus noster. *Amen.* (Gregor.)

PRO MINISTRIS VERBI ET FRUCTU EVANGELII.

Domine, quomodo descendit imber, et nix de cælo, et illuc ultra non revertitur, sed inebriat terram, et infundit eam, et germinare eam facit, et dat semen serenti, et panem comedenti: sic sit verbum meum, quod egredietur de ore meo; non revertatur ad me vacuum, sed faciat quæcumque vis et prosperetur in his ad quæ misisti illud; ut grex curæ meæ demandatus in lætitia egrediatur, et in pace juxta aquas Tuas refectionis deducatur in JESU CHRISTO Domino nostro. *Amen.*

(Abp. Laud.)

PRO FIDUCIA.

Adesto, Domine, supplicationibus nostris; et me, qui etiam misericordia Tua primus indigeo, clementer exandi; et quem non electione meriti, sed dono gratiæ Tuæ, constituisti hujus operis ministrum, da fiduciam Tui muneris exsequendi, et Ipse in nostro ministerio quod Tuæ pietatis est operare. Per D. N. J. C. *Amen.* (Gelas).

PRO GREGE.

Quia non mihi alibi est fiducia, nisi in misericordia Tua, Tu et os meum præconio veritatis perenna, et opus pleniori ubertate sanctifica; ut et indignum me salves, et commissum mihi gregem pro Tua pietate justifices. Quidquid in illis vitiatum respicis, sana; quidquid in me vitiosum inspicis, cura. Si quam vitio tepiditatis meæ vel incuria contraxerunt

vel contrahunt labem, omitte. Si quo etiam me ignorante vel cognoscente, deciderunt in crimine, atque si exempli mei offendiculo proruerunt, ignosce, et pro culpis talibus misero mihi ultionis non restituas vicem. His tamen quibus increpationis reus visus sum adhibendo judicium, et increpatio ipsa eis proficiat ad salutem, et oratio hæc interpellans commisso eos revocet ab errore, ut non perferant tartareos cruciatus;—quo illorum iniquitatibus tribuas veniam, et meam abluas contractam de regendi incommoditate offensam. Præbe, Deus, aurem sacrificiis nostris, et me mihique commissos Tuis adscribe in paginis; quo cum grege mihi credito, et a crimine eluar crimine, et ad Te merear pervenire in pace. *Amen.* (Gregor.)

ALIA.

Respice de cælo, Christe, super gregem et agnos Tuos,—benedic corpora et animas eorum. Qui signum Tuum, Christe, in frontibus eorum acceperunt, Tuos esse concedas in die judicii. *Amen.*

(Pontif. Egb.)

BENEDICTIO.

Præsta, Domine, ut cum apparuerit Princeps pastorum, percipiamus immarcescibilem gloriæ coronam. *Amen.*

Wednesday Morning.

The first orisons, as on Sunday.

When dressed, stand at a prie-dieu, and say,

✠ In the Name of the FATHER, and of the SON, and of the HOLY GHOST. *Amen.*

O Thou that hearest prayer, unto Thee shall all flesh come. Alleluia.

The Hymn.

O God, Who can'st not change nor fail,
Guiding the hours, as they roll by,
Brightening with beams the morning pale,
And burning in the mid-day sky;

Quench Thou the fires of hate and strife,
The wasting fever of the heart;
From perils guard our feeble life,
And to our souls Thy peace impart.

Grant this, O Father, only Son,
And Holy Spirit, God of grace,
To Whom all glory, Three in One,
Be given in every time and place. Amen.

(J. H. Newman, *from S. Ambrose.*)

Psalm liv. (*See Sunday Office.*)

Psalm xxvi. *Judica me, Domine.*

Purification of Heart.

1 Judge me, O Lord, for I have walked in mine integrity: I have trusted also in the Lord without wavering.

2 Examine me, O Lord, and prove me; try my reins and my heart.

3 For Thy loving-kindness is before mine eyes; and I have walked in Thy truth.

4 I have not sat with vain persons; neither wil I go in with dissemblers.

5 I hate the congregation of evil-doers, and will not sit with the wicked.

6 I will wash mine hands in innocency; so will I compass Thine altar, O LORD:

7 That I may make the voice of thanksgiving to be heard, and tell of all Thy wondrous works.

8 LORD, I love the habitation of Thy house, and the place where Thy glory dwelleth.

9 Gather not my soul with sinners, nor my life with men of blood:

10 In whose hands is mischief, and their right hand is full of bribes.

11 But as for me, I will walk in mine integrity: redeem me, and be merciful unto me.

12 My foot standeth in an even place: in the congregations will I bless the LORD.

PSALM CXIX. 33-48. *Legem pone.*

The law the security of steadfastness.

33 Teach me, O LORD, the way of Thy statutes; and I shall keep it unto the end.

34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep Thy law; yea, I shall observe it with my whole heart.

35 Make me to go in the path of Thy commandments; for therein do I delight.

36 Incline my heart unto Thy testimonies, and not to covetousness.

37 Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity, and quicken me in Thy ways.

38 Confirm Thy Word unto Thy servant, which *belongeth* unto the fear of Thee.

39 Turn away my reproach whereof I am afraid; for Thy judgments are good.

40 Behold, I have longed after Thy precepts: quicken me in Thy righteousness.

Et veniat super me.

The witness to be borne thereto.

41 Let Thy mercies also come unto me, O LORD: even Thy salvation, according to Thy Word.

42 So shall I have an answer for him that reproacheth me; for I trust in Thy Word.

43 And take not the Word of truth utterly out of my mouth; for I have hoped in Thy judgments.

44 So shall I observe Thy law continually for ever and ever.

45 And I will walk at liberty; for I have sought Thy precepts.

46 I will also speak of Thy testimonies before kings, and will not be ashamed.

47 And I will delight myself in Thy commandments, which I have loved.

48 I will lift up my hands also unto Thy commandments, which I have loved; and I will meditate in Thy statutes.

Antiphon: Incline my heart unto Thy testimonies.

THE CHAPTER. *Rev.* iv. 8.

The four living creatures rest not day and night saying: Holy, holy, holy is the LORD GOD, the

Almighty, which was, and which is, and which is to come.

℟. JESU CHRIST, SON of the living GOD, have mercy upon us.

(*Versicles and Responses, as in Monday Office. Meditation for the day from* Avancini.)

After the Veni Creator, kneel and say,

LORD, have mercy, etc.
Our FATHER, etc.

THE CONFESSION.

We have a great High Priest, Who hath passed through the heavens, JESUS the SON of GOD.

O LORD and MASTER, JESU CHRIST, my GOD, Who hast borne long with my offences, and hast brought me to this present hour; O Thou Who, when hanging upon the life-giving Cross, didst open for the penitent thief an entrance into Paradise, and by death didst destroy death: Have mercy upon me, Thy sinful and unworthy servant. I have sinned; I have done amiss, and am not worthy to lift up mine eyes unto heaven; for I have left the way of righteousness, and have walked in the waywardness of my own heart. Yet I beseech Thee, of Thy incomparable goodness, spare me, O LORD, according to the multitude of Thy tender mercies, and save me for Thy holy Name's sake. Deliver me from the enemy's hand; forgive me my sins, and mortify all fleshly lusts within me; so that putting off the old man and putting on the new man, I may live to Thee, my LORD

and SAVIOUR; and, walking in the way of Thy commandments, may attain unto eternal rest, that abiding home of all that are gladdened by Thee. For Thou art the true gladness and joy of them that love Thee, O CHRIST my GOD, to Whom I give glory, with Thy Eternal FATHER, and Thy all-holy, gracious, and life-giving SPIRIT, now, always, and for ever and ever. *Amen.* (S. Basil.)

FOR ILLUMINATION.

Shine into our hearts, O loving MASTER, by the pure light of the knowledge of Thyself; and open the eyes of our mind to the contemplation of Thine evangelic teaching, and put into us the fear of Thy blessed commandments; that trampling down all carnal appetites, we may follow a spiritual life, thinking and doing all things according to Thy good pleasure. For Thou art our sanctification and illumination, and to Thee we may render glory, FATHER, SON, and HOLY SPIRIT, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

(Daybreak Office of Eastern Church.)

COMMENDATION.

O, my GOD, Who openest Thy hand and fillest all things living with plenteousness, unto Thee I commit myself. Watch over me, I beseech Thee, and provide all things needful for my soul and body, from this time forth for evermore, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.* (S. Nerses of Clajes.)

FOR THE KNOWLEDGE AND LOVE OF GOD.

Grant to me, O LORD GOD, FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST, that I may know Thee, and love

Thee, and delight in Thee: and if in this life I cannot herein attain to perfection, yet that I may advance from day to day. Let my knowledge of Thee increase here, that in the life eternal it may be perfected: let my love of Thee become greater here, that there it may be fulfilled. O GOD of truth, I ask of Thee what Thou hast promised, that my joy may be full. At this present, let my mind meditate upon Thee, let my soul hunger for Thee, let my flesh thirst for Thee, let my whole being long for Thee: and in the end let me enter into Thy joy, O my LORD, Who livest and reignest one GOD blessed for ever. *Amen.* (S. Anselm.)

AN ACT OF HUMBLE SUPPLICATION.

Give me, O LORD, I pray Thee, a devout spirit, that I may seek Thee with all my heart. Cleanse me from my past sins, and deliver me now and hereafter in the hour of temptation. Purify my heart and my lips: grant to me patience, long-suffering, gentleness, modesty, and spiritual joy. Teach me to love simplicity and purity, and ever to follow after those things that make for peace. Take from my mouth all cursing, lying, slandering, murmuring, and folly. Set a watch over my mouth, and keep the door of my lips. Fill my heart with sympathy and compassion for my brethren. Give me in all things a right judgment, that I may be able to discern between good and evil. Rouse my sluggishness, and incline my heart to fulfil Thy statutes, even to the end.

Give me a firm faith, an unshaken hope, perfect charity. Pour into my heart the spirit of wisdom and understanding, of counsel and ghostly strength,

of knowledge and true godliness, of Thy holy fear. Give me a heart ever contrite and humble before Thee. O Thou Light Eternal, shine on me: O Thou worthy Power Eternal, set me free: O Thou Wisdom Eternal, scatter the darkness of my ignorance: O Thou Might Eternal, strengthen me: O Thou Mercy Eternal, pity me. Grant that I may ever seek Thy face with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my strength: and bring me in Thy mercy to Thy presence, that I may behold Thee in Thy glory, and possess the joys Thou hast promised in JESUS CHRIST, our LORD, Who with Thee, O FATHER, liveth and reigneth in the unity of Thy Holy Spirit for ever. *Amen.* (Alcuin.)

FOR THE YOUNG.

O Almighty and most merciful FATHER, Who hast given children unto me (or, into my charge) as a testimony of Thy favour, be pleased to be a Father unto them, and give them healthful bodies, understanding souls, and sanctified spirits, that they may be Thy servants and Thy children all their days. Let Thy merciful providence lead them through the dangers and temptations and ignorances of their youth, that they may never run into folly, and the evils of an unbridled appetite. So order the course of their lives, that by good education, holy example, nnocent company, prudent counsel, and Thy restraining grace, their duty to Thee may be secured in the midst of a crooked and untoward generation. (If it seem good to Thee, enable me to provide for their maintenance, that they may not be destitute by my death; or if Thou shalt sooner call me from this world, let Thy care, mercy, and providence over their bodies and

souls be their portion.) May they neither lead vicious lives, nor die violent or untimely deaths; but let them glorify Thee here with a free obedience, and the duties of a whole life; and when they have served Thee in their generation, and have profited the Christian commonwealth, may they be co-heirs with JESUS in the glories of Thy Eternal kingdom; through the same our LORD JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*
(J. Taylor.)

FOR A HOUSEHOLD.

Gracious FATHER, bless my servants and make them Thine. Give them grace before all to serve Thee, and in serving Thee, to serve me with faithfulness, soberness, and diligence. Fill me with the desire, and give me the power, to repay to them the time and the strength which they either have spent, or shall spend, to do me service; for the sake of Thy SON JESUS CHRIST, their Master and mine, with Whom is no respect of persons. *Amen.*
(Laud.)

FOR THE CHURCH.

O GOD, Who hast made all those that are born again in CHRIST to be a royal and priestly race, grant us both the will and the power to do what Thou commandest; that Thy people who are called to eternal life may have the same faith in their hearts, and the same piety in their actions; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.* (Gelasian.)

ANOTHER.

O Almighty GOD, we humbly beseech Thee, Who art of boundless goodness, and to be feared for Thy mercy, that by Thine aid all trials pro-

duced by earthly sin or secular danger, may depart from us; and that in Thy Catholic Church religious devotion may ever continue undefiled; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.* (Gothic.)

ANOTHER.

Enlarge Thy Kingdom, O GOD, and deliver the world from the dominion and tyranny of Satan, that the kingdoms of the earth may become the kingdoms of JESUS CHRIST. Hasten the time which Thy Spirit hath foretold, when all nations whom Thou hast made shall worship Thee and glorify Thy Name. Bless the good endeavours of those that strive to spread the Gospel of Thy Kingdom; prepare the hearts of the heathen to receive it, and raise up from among them faithful men who shall be able to teach others also. May all such as own Thee for their King become Thy faithful subjects. Vouchsafe to reign in all our hearts, and subdue our wills entirely to Thine; and prepare us by Thy good Spirit for the kingdom of glory; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

(Wilson.)

THANKSGIVING.

O LORD my GOD, with what reverence, and love, and praise, and thanksgiving, should I, Thy unworthy creature, approach Thee, Who hast so loved me and saved me and sanctified me! To Thee I owe all my power, all my life, all my knowledge. For who hath anything but what is Thine? O LORD my GOD, from Whom all good things do come, give me of Thine abundance for Thy Name's sake, that I may serve Thee with Thy gifts, and please Thee in truth, and daily praise Thee for all

Thy loving-kindness bestowed upon me. For it is of Thine own gifts that I can serve Thee or please Thee: every good gift and every perfect gift is of Thee, O FATHER of lights, with Whom is no variableness neither shadow of turning. O LORD my GOD, Holy GOD, Merciful GOD, Almighty GOD, Creator of all things, Father of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, I beseech Thee to give me grace to praise and glorify Thee in all things, with deep contrition of heart, in reverence and godly fear: and make me, O LORD, to persevere in Thy commandments and in Thy praise even to the end, for the sake of Him Who is our great High Priest, and our Good Shepherd, who offered Himself to Thee as a Sacrifice, laying down His life for His flock; Who now sitteth at Thy right hand, and maketh intercession for us, our REDEEMER and ADVOCATE. *Amen.* (S. Augustine.)

THE BLESSING.

The Everlasting FATHER bless us with His blessing everlasting. GOD, the SON of GOD, vouchsafe to bless and succour us. The grace of the HOLY GHOST illumine us in heart and body. *Amen.* (The Primer, 1559.)

Feria v. (Mane).

Post primas orationes, sicut in Dominica, hæ sequantur.

Dum stas ad mensam precatoriam,

✠ In Nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti. *Amen.*

Exaudi orationem meam: ad Te omnis caro veniet. Ps. lxv. 2.)

HYMNUS MATUTINUS.

Æterne rerum conditor,
Noctem diemque qui regis,
Et temporum das tempora
Ut alleves fastidium;

Præco diei jam sonat,
Noctis profundæ pervigil,
Nocturna lux viantibus;
Jubarque solis evocat.

Surgamus ergo strenue,
Gallus jacentes excitat,
Et somnolentos increpat,
Gallus negantes arguit.

JESU, labantes respice,
Et nos videndo corrige;
Si respicis, lapsus cadunt,
Fletuque culpa solvitur.

Tu lux refulge sensibus,
Mentisque somnum discute;
Te nostra vox primum sonet,
Et vota solvamus Tibi. *Amen.*
(S. Ambrosius.)

PSALM LIV. (*Sicut ante.*)

PSALM XXIII. *Christi Mors et Resurrectio.*

1 Dominus regit me, et nihil mihi deerit.

2 In loco pascuæ ibi me collocavit.
Super aquam refectionis educavit me.
3 Animam meam convertit:
Deduxit me super semitas justitiæ propter nomen Suum.
4 Nam et si ambulavero in medio umbræ mortis,
Non timebo mala; quoniam Tu mecum es:
Virga Tua, et baculus Tuus, ipsa me consolata sunt.
5 Parasti in conspectu meo mensam adversus eos, qui tribulant me.
Impinguasti in oleo caput meum: et calix meus inebrians quam præclarus est!
6 Et misericordia Tua subsequetur me omnibus diebus vitæ meæ:
Et ut inhabitem in domo Domini, in longitudinem dierum.
Gloria Patri, etc.

PSALM CXIX. *Zain.*

Repugnantia Fidei superbiæ et nequitiæ.

49 Memor esto verbi Tui servo Tuo,
In quo mihi spem dedisti.
50 Hæc me consolata est in humilitate mea:
Quia eloquim Tuum vivificavit me.
51 Superbi inique agebant usquequaque:
A lege antem Tua non declinavi.
52 Memor fui judiciorum Tuorum a sæculo, Domine.
Et consolatus sum.
53 Defectio tenuit me,
Pro peccatoribus derelinquentibus legem Tuam.
54 Cantabiles mihi justificationes Tuæ,
In loco peregrinationis meæ.

55 Memor fui nocte nominis Tui, Domine :
Et custodivi legem Tuam.
56 Hæc facta est mihi :
Quia justificationes Tuas exquisivi.

Cheth.

Ipse Dominus fidelium portio.

57 Portio mea, Domine :
Dixi custodire legem Tuam.
58 Deprecatus sum faciem Tuam in toto corde meo :
Miserere mei secundum eloquium Tuum.
59 Cogitavi vias meas :
Et converti pedes meos in testimonia Tua.
60 Paratus sum, et non sum turbatus :
Ut custodiam mandata Tua.
61 Funes peccatorum circumplexi sunt me :
Et legem Tuam non sum oblitus.
62 Media nocte surgebam ad confitendum Tibi,
Super judicia justificationis Tuæ.
63 Particeps ego sum omnium timentium Te :
Et custodientium mandata Tua.
64 Misericordia Tua, Domine, plena est terra :
Justificationes Tuas doce me.
Gloria Patri, etc.

Antiphon: Portio mea, Domine.

CAPITULUM. *Heb.* x. 22.

Accedamus cum vero corde in plenitudine fidei, aspersi corda a conscientia mala, et abluti corpus aqua munda.

Versiculi, etc. (Sicut in Feria III.)
Meditatio, etc. " " "
Invocatio. " " "

Inde, flexis genubus,

Kyrie eleison. CHRISTE eleison. Kyrie eleison. Pater noster, etc.

Si impius egerit pœnitentiam a peccatis suis, omnium iniquitatum ejus, quas operatus est, non recordabor, dicit Dominus.—Ezech. xviii. 21, 22.

CONFESSIO.

Tibi, Domine Deus, confiteor delicta mea . . . . Tu propter ineffabilem pietatem et misericordiam Tuam; suscipe, quæso, confessionem meam; imo Ipse largire, ut toto corde confitear. Imnumera sunt omnino mala, quæ miser commisi; et quanta enarrare non sufficio. Promissi emendationem, et semper in eisdem malis relabor. Heu! quantæ impietates animam meam impediunt et sauciarunt. Succurre, Domine JESU CHRISTE, mihi miserrimo captivo; et ne me perire patiaris, quem dignatus es redimere precioso sanguine Tuo. Ne perdas me cum peccatis meis, neque in æternum reserves mala mea. Ne projicias me a facie Tuâ, ne despicias me; sed congruum locum, et spatium, et dignos fructus pœnitentiæ peto mihi concedas. Exaudi me, Domine; et pro pietate Tua salvum me fac, hic et in futuro. *Amen.*

(Alcuinus fere.)

SUPPLICATIO DEVOTA.

Deus mi, Pater mi, et Servator, qui gratia erga me Tua effecisti, ut transacta nocte ad hunc diem

pervenirem: fac etiam, ut ipsum totum in sanctissimi numinis Tui cultu et veneratione consumam: nihil omnino aut cogitem, aut dicam, aut faciam quod eo non tendat: ut Tibi obsequar, et voluntati Tuæ morem geram: quo scilicet actiones omnes meæ referantur ad gloriam Tui, atque fratrum meorum salutem, dum exemplo meo ad Te colendum instruentur. Atque ut mundum hunc ad vitæ externæ usus solis Tui splendore illuminas; ita fulgore Spiritus Tui mentem meam illustra, qui me in via justitiæ Tuæ dirigat. Quamcumque ad rem applicem animum meum, is mihi semper sit propositus finis, ut Tibi honorique Tuo inserviam: omnem felicitatem a gratiâ et beneficentiâ Tuâ solâ exspectem: nec quicquam omnino aggrediar, quod Tibi gratum non sit. Effice præterea, ut, dum hujus vitæ tuendæ causa laboro, et ea curo quæ ad victum et cultum corporis pertinent, altius tamen erigam animim, ad beatam nempe et cælestem vitam, quam filiis Tuis promisisti. Nihilominus, tam animæ quam corporis protectorem Te mihi exhibendo, adversus omnes Sathanæ insultus me confirmes ac munias, et ab omnibus periculis, quæ nobis assidue in hac vita impendent, liberes. Ad haec, cum parum sit cæpisse nisi perseverem, ideo a Te peto, Domine, ne mihi in hodiernum diem tantum dux sis ac rector, sed usque ad vitæ finem me in Tuam fidem suscipias, quo sub Tuis auspiciis totus vitæ meæ cursus transigatur. Et quia proficiendum nobis est, gratiæ in me Tuæ dona adauge indies, tantisper dum penitus adhæream Filio Tuo, JESU CHRISTO, quem verum Solem, lucentem perpetuo in animis nostris, merito appellamus. Quæ tot tantaque beneficia ut abs Te obtineam, obliviscere, quæso,

delictorum meorum, eaque pro infinita misericordia Tua remitte: quod Te facturum promisisti iis, qui Te ex animo invocaverint. *Amen.*

(Horarium, 1560.)

PRO PRÆSENTIA CONTINUA DEI.

Da mihi, Domine, ut amen Te semper, quantum volo et quantum debeo, ut Tu solus sis tota intentio mea et omnis meditatio mea. Te mediter per dies; in nocte Te alloquatur spiritus meus, Tecum fabuletur mens mea. Lumine sanctæ visionis Tuæ illustretur cor meum; ut Te rectore, Te duce, ambulem de virtute in virtutem, tandemque videam Te Deum deorum in Sion; nunc quidem per speculum in ænigmate, tunc autem facie ad faciem, ubi cognoscam Te sicut et cognitus sum. Beati mundo corde, quoniam ipsi Deum videbunt. Beati qui habitant in domo Tua, Domine; in sæcula sæculorum laudabunt Te. Rogo itaque Te, Domine, per omnes miserationes Tuas in CHRISTO, quibus de morte æterna liberati sumus, mollifica cor meum durum et lapideum, saxeum et ferreum, Tua sacratissima et potenti unctione; et fac me per ignem compunctionis coram Te hostiam vivam fieri. *Amen.* (S. Anselmus.)

PRO FIDE, SPE, ET CHARITATE.

Domine JESU CHRISTE, clemens ac misericors Deus, Te oro supplex, ut per misericordiam Tuam fidem veram, Tuæque doctrinæ consentientem, animæ meæ infundas. Tu idem, Salvator noster, spem firmam, ignitamque illam et perfectam charitatem, mihi largire, ut et ab errorum tricis immunis et a peccatorum mole liberatus, intellec-

tum meum omnem et rationem in obedientiam Christianæ et orthodoxæ Ecclesiæ submittam, ejusque imperio me subdam. Ad hæc omnes cogitationes meas, verba, et opera, ad Te unum dirige, ut totum me paternæ Tuæ providentiæ commendare possim, proque beneficiis Tuis et summa gratia, qua me immerentem et indignum prosequutus es, gratias agam, et habeam, Tibi sempiternas. *Amen.*

INTERCESSIO.

O sacra, sempiterna, beata Trinitas, semper laudabilis, semper tamen ineffabilis, Deus qui vivorum dominaris simul et mortuorum: cujus sumus nos, quos præsens adhuc sæculum in carne retinet; cujus et illi sunt, quos futurum exutos corpore jam suscepit; da vivis misericordiam et gratiam, defunctis requiem et lucem perpetuam; da Ecclesiæ veritatem et pacem; nobis peccatoribus pœnitentiam et veniam, finem bonam et lætam resurrectionem. *Amen.* (Alcuinus.)

SUBMISSIO SUI.

O Domine JESU, da quod jubes, et jube quod vis. Facias animam meam paratam in adventum Tuum; veni quando vis. Des mihi ad minimum sufficientem, si placet, pacatissimam patientiam; et veni quomodo vis, O Tu, qui salus es omnium sperantium in Te. Et insuper interpone, obsecro, O Domine JESU, mortem, crucem, passionem, meritum, et sanguinem Tuum, inter judicium Tuum et animam meam, nunc et semper, et præcipue in hora mortis meæ. Quæ mors (obnixe precor) numquam inveniat me imparatum; nun-

quam ita adveniendo sæviat, quin ut retineam fidem, spem, et charitatem, memoriam et intellectum sanum, usque ad extremum halitum. Esto mihi, Domine, in Deum protectorem: des Ecclesiæ Tuæ pacem et concordiam; mihi peccatori misericordiam et veniam, gratiam in hac vita et gloriam in futura. Ita, ita venias, O Domine JESU; et miserere mei. *Amen.* (S. Augustinus.)

PRO PRESBYTERIS.

Da nobis, quæsumus, Omnipotens Deus, ut per gratiam Tuam nosmet ipsos, sicut Te dignum est, exhibentes, Tuis fidelibus ministremus rectæ conversationis exemplum; et populi Tui salvatio sempiterna fiat præmium sacerdotis. Per, etc. (Leon.)

ALIA.

Deus mundi Creator et Rector, ad humilitatis meæ preces placatus attende; et me famulum Tuum, quem nullis suffragantibus meritis, sed immensæ largitate clementiæ, cælestibus Mysteriis servire tribuisti, dignum sacris altaribus fac ministrum. Per, etc. (Leon.)

ALIA.

Domine sáncte, Pater Omnipotens, æterne Deus, gratiæ Tuæ in nobis dona prosequere; et quod possibilitas non habet fragilitatis humanæ, Tuo Spiritu miseratus impende; ut sacris altaribus servientes et fidei integritate fundati, et mentis sint claritate conspicui. Per, etc. (Leon.)

PRO GREGE.

Ecclesiam Tuam, Domine, benignus illustra;

ut et gregis Tui proficiat ubique successus, et grati fiant Nomini Tuo, Te gubernante, pastores. Per, etc. (Leon.)

ALIA.

Deus misericors, Rex æterne, da servituti nostræ prosperum cursum : et ut Tibi in populi Tui devotione placeamus, Tu sancto præside gregi, et ad Tuorum observantiam mandatorum Tu omnium dirige voluntates. Per, etc. (Leon.)

ALIA.

Misericors et miserator Domine, Qui nos parcendo sustentas, et ignoscendo sanctificas, da veniam peccatis nostris, et Sacramentis cælestibus servientes ab omni culpa liberos esse concede. Per, etc. (Gelas.)

BENEDICTIO.

Per ingens Mysterium sancti corporis et pretiosi sanguinis, in hujus diei vespera institutum, Domine, miserere. *Amen.*

Friday Morning.

The first orisons, as on Sunday.

✠ In the Name of the FATHER, and of the SON, and of the HOLY GHOST. *Amen.*

O Thou that hearest prayer, unto Thee shall all flesh come. Alleluia.

THE HYMN.

CREATOR of the starry height,
Thy people's everlasting Light,
JESU, Redeemer of us all,
Hear Thou Thy servants when they call.

Thou, sorrowing at the helpless cry
Of all creation doomed to die,
Didst save our lost and guilty race
By healing gifts of heavenly grace.

When earth was near its evening hour,
Thou didst, in love's redeeming power,
Like bridegroom from his chamber, come
Forth from a Virgin-mother's womb.

At Thy great Name, exalted now,
All knees in lowly homage bow;
All things in Heaven and earth adore,
And own Thee King for evermore.

To Thee, O HOLY ONE, we pray,
Our Judge in that tremendous day,
Ward off, while yet we dwell below,
The weapons of our crafty foe.

To GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,
And GOD the SPIRIT, THREE in ONE,
Praise, honour, might, and glory be
From age to age eternally. Amen.

PSALM LIV. (*See Sunday Office.*)

PSALM XXII. *Deus, Deus meus.*
Passion of Christ.

1 My GOD, my GOD, why hast Thou forsaken me? *Why art Thou so* far from helping me, *and from* the words of my roaring?

2 O my GOD, I cry in the daytime, but Thou answerest not; and in the night season, and am not silent.

3 But Thou art holy, O Thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel.

4 Our fathers trusted in Thee: they trusted, and Thou didst deliver them.

5 They cried unto Thee, and were delivered: they trusted in Thee, and were not ashamed.

6 But I am a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people.

7 All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, *saying*,

8 Commit *thyself* unto the LORD; let Him deliver him: let Him deliver him, seeing He delighteth in him.

9 But Thou art He that took me out of the womb: Thou didst make me trust *when I was* upon my mother's breasts.

10 I was cast upon Thee from the womb: Thou art my God from my mother's belly.

11 Be not far from me; for trouble is near; for there is none to help.

12 Many bulls have compassed me: strong bulls of Bashan have beset me round.

13 They gape upon me with their mouth, *as* a ravening and a roaring lion.

14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint: my heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of my bowels.

15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd; and my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and Thou hast brought me into the dust of death.

16 For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of evil-doers have inclosed me; they pierced my hands and my feet.

17 I may tell all my bones; they look and stare upon me:

18 They part my garments among them, and upon my vesture do they cast lots.

19 But be not Thou far off, O LORD: O Thou, my succour, haste Thee to help me.

20 Deliver my soul from the sword; my darling from the power of the dog.

21 Save me from the lion's mouth; yea, from the horns of the wild oxen Thou hast answered me.

22 I will declare Thy Name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise Thee.

23 Ye that fear the LORD, praise Him; all ye the seed of Jacob, glorify Him; and stand in awe of Him, all ye seed of Israel.

24 For He hath not despised, nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; neither hath He hid His face from him; but when he cried unto Him, He heard.

25 Of Thee cometh my praise in the great congregation: I will pay my vows before them that fear Him.

26 The meek shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the LORD that seek after Him: let your heart live for ever.

27 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn unto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before Thee.

28 For the kingdom is the LORD'S: and He is the Ruler over the nations.
29 All the fat ones of the earth shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the dust shall bow before Him, even he that cannot keep his soul alive.
30 A seed shall serve Him; it shall be told of the LORD unto the *next* generation.
31 They shall come and shall declare His righteousness unto a people that shall be born, that He hath done it.

PSALM CXIX. 65-80. *Bonitatem fecisti.*

The discipline of suffering.

65 Thou hast dealt well with Thy servant, O LORD, according unto Thy word.
66 Teach me good judgment and knowledge; for I have believed in Thy commandments.
67 Before I was afflicted I went astray; but now I observe Thy word.
68 Thou art good, and doest good; teach me Thy statutes.
69 The proud have forged a lie against me: with my whole heart will I keep Thy precepts.
70 Their heart is as fat as grease; but I delight in Thy law.
71 It is good for me that I have been afflicted; that I might learn thy statutes.
72 The law of Thy mouth is better unto me than thousands of gold and silver.

Manus tuæ fecerunt me.

God's law the law of human life.

73 Thy hands have made me and fashioned me:

give me understanding, that I may learn Thy commandments.

74 They that fear Thee shall see me and be glad; because I have hoped in Thy word.

75 I know, O LORD, that Thy judgments are righteous, and that in faithfulness Thou hast afflicted me.

76 Let, I pray Thee, Thy lovingkindness be for my comfort, according to Thy word unto Thy servant.

77 Let Thy tender mercies come unto me, that I may live: for Thy law is my delight.

78 Let the proud be ashamed; for they have overthrown me wrongfully: *but* I will meditate in Thy precepts.

79 Let those that fear Thee turn unto me, and they shall know Thy testimonies.

80 Let my heart be perfect in Thy statutes; that I be not ashamed.

Antiphon: Thy hands have made me.

THE CHAPTER. 1 *St. Peter* ii. 21.

Hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, that ye should follow His steps.

℟. JESU CHRIST, Son of the living GOD, have mercy upon us.

(*Versicles and Responses, as in Monday Office. Meditation for the day from* Avancini.)

After the Veni Creator, kneel and say,

LORD, have mercy, etc.
Our FATHER, etc.

THE CONFESSION.

Wash me throughly from mine iniquity,
And cleanse me from my sin. (Ps. li. 2.)

LORD JESU CHRIST, I, a miserable sinner, kneel before Thee, Who shalt be my judge, but Who art also my Saviour. I come before Thee and confess my many and great sins . . . . Turn not away, I beseech Thee, O LORD, Thy face from me; look on me with Thine eye of pity, as Thou didst look upon the woman in the house of Simon, upon Peter in the judgment hall, upon the thief on the Cross. Give me a true knowledge of my sins; give me fitting sorrow for them: receive me into the paradise of Thy favour, wash me in Thy blood, quicken me by Thy precious death. Pardon me, and take from me whatever evil there is in me: for Thou hast said, If I be lifted up, I will draw all men to Me. Wherefore, I beseech Thee, O Redeemer of my soul, draw me to Thyself, and cleanse me from my secret faults. O true Light, shine on the darkness of my mind. O consuming fire, burn up in me all my sins and vices; come and visit my soul in its weakness: cleanse my conscience, and make it an habitation well pleasing to Thee. O dearest LORD, Who for me didst hang upon the Cross, draw me from the filth of my sins, Thou who hast by Thy death overcome death, and hast by Thy precious blood atoned for the sins of all mankind. What shall I return to Thee for all

Thou hast done for me? I have but little; I offer it all to Thee: my spirit, that in it Thou mayest rest; my soul, that it may love Thee; my body, that it may serve Thee. Make me, O LORD JESU, in this world, such as Thou wouldst have me to be in the world to come, where, with the FATHER and the HOLY SPIRIT, Thou reignest one GOD for ever and ever. *Amen.*

ACT OF HUMBLE SUPPLICATION.

O LORD JESU CHRIST, Son of the living God, Who, with arms outstretched upon the Cross, hast drained the cup of suffering for the salvation of all men, vouchsafe to grant unto me Thy help this day. In my poverty I come to Thine abundance, in my misery to Thy pity; may I not go empty or despised away. Hungry I approach, may I not turn away from Thee till I am filled. Famishing I come, let me not go back unfed.

JESU, most mild, I confess my own perverse iniquity. I was conceived and born in sin. Thou didst wash and sanctify me; and yet I have since defiled myself in deeper guilt. For my birth-sin was involuntary, my own defilements of my own free will. But Thou, O LORD, mindful of mercy, hast recovered me from the abode of sinners, and inspired me with desire to follow Thee in the generation of those that seek Thy face, and walk in the paths of righteousness. Yet, unmindful of so many blessings, I have often offended against Thy commandments, and have been guilty of many iniquities; and when I should have amended my faults, I have added sins to sins, which vex and afflict and wound my grieving soul. Behold, LORD, my wickednesses are gone over my head, and are

like a sore burden too heavy for me to bear. And unless Thou, Whose property is ever to have mercy and to spare, wilt support me with the right hand of Thy Majesty, I shall be swallowed up in the depths of misery. Hear me, O LORD my GOD, rescue my soul, and save me for Thy mercies' sake. O LORD, pity me, and turn not away from me Thy face; Thou, who for my redemption didst not turn away Thy face from those that reviled Thee. I confess that I have offended, and though repentance sufficeth not for satisfaction of sin, yet Thy mercy covereth every offence. I beseech Thee, most loving LORD, record not against me my frowardness, and enter not into judgment with Thy servant, but, according to the greatness of Thy mercy, blot out mine offences. Thou, LORD, wouldest not the death of sinners, and delightest not in the condemnation of the dying, yea, rather Thou hast died that the dead might live. Thy death hath vanquished death for sinners, and in Thy death have they found life. I beseech Thee, LORD, that by Thy life I may escape from death. Stretch out Thine hand from on high, and save me from the hand of my enemies. Sheltering under the shadow of Thy pity, I hasten to the throne of Thy grace, seeking pardon, crying and knocking until Thou have mercy upon me. Wherefore, O JESU, arise, help me, and say unto my soul, I am Thy salvation. All my trust, O LORD, I put in Thy mercy, and as Thou teachest me to be found asking, and seeking, and knocking, so, admonished by Thy Word, I ask, and seek, and knock. And do Thou, O LORD, Who commandest me to ask, grant that I may receive. Do Thou, Who chargest me to seek, grant that I may find. Do Thou, who teachest me

to knock, open to me knocking. Heal my infirmities, reclaim my wanderings, raise me from deadly slumber, and deign to direct and govern my whole being, my thoughts, and acts, so that I may ever hereafter serve Thee, and live to Thee, and make myself wholly Thine. I know, O LORD, because Thou hast made me, that to Thee I owe myself; because Thou hast redeemed me, and for me wast made Man, that to Thee I owe more than myself. But more than myself I have not, and even what I have I cannot give Thee without Thyself. But do Thou receive me, and draw me unto Thee, so that, being Thine by creation and redemption, I may abide in Thy likeness, and in Thy love for ever. *Amen.* (S. Anselm.)

INTERCESSION.

Have mercy, O LORD, upon Thy Holy Church which is throughout the world: pardon the sins of all her members: fill her congregations with joy and gladness: visit the sick and the afflicted, and help all that are in trouble or in danger. Reward those who have given up their substance to Thy Church, or to Thy poor: remember those who have bidden me to pray for them, and all those who call upon Thy Holy Name . . . . Have mercy, I beseech Thee, upon all who have sinned, and are perishing in their ignorance: upon the heathen: upon all prisoners, and those who are under persecution or oppression, or are banished from their country: upon the poor, the widow, and the orphan: upon them that travel by land or by water: upon all who desire to break the chain of their sins: upon all who know and confess Thee

for their Helper and Redeemer . . . .
through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*
(Syriac Liturgy of S. Cyril).

O GOD, Who by the mouth of St. Paul, Thine Apostle, hast taught us not to wail for them that sleep in CHRIST, grant, we beseech Thee, that in the coming of Thy Son, our LORD JESUS CHRIST, both we, and all other faithful people being departed, may be graciously brought unto the joys everlasting, when He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. *Amen.*

LORD, bow Thine ears unto our prayers, wherein we devoutly call upon Thy mercy, that Thou wilt bestow the souls of Thy servants, which Thou hast commanded to depart this life, in the land of peace and rest, and cause them to be made partners with Thy holy servants: through CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.* (The Dirige, 1559.)

FOR PRIEST AND PEOPLE.

CHRIST be in the heart of each person I speak to:
CHRIST in the mouth of each person who speaks to me:
CHRIST in each eye that sees me:
CHRIST in each ear that hears me.
(St. Patrick.)

FOR BRETHREN IN THE SACRED MINISTRY.

Grant, O LORD, that all those who dedicate themselves to the service of Thy altar may be inwardly moved by Thy Holy Spirit to take upon them that sacred ministration; that their consciences may testify to them, that, by engaging in

this holy calling, their chief design is to serve Thee, promote Thy glory, and edify Thy people; that they may neither be led by ambition nor covetousness; that neither the honours nor the revenues that are annexed to this profession may have any competition in their minds with a mighty zeal for Thy glory, and a desire to promote the salvation of souls. To this end, O LORD, grant that they may make Thy Holy Writ the chief subject of all their studies, that they may from thence instruct Thy people committed to their charge, and silence gainsayers, that they may faithfully and diligently administer Thy Holy Sacraments; that they may labour in season and out of season, by private and public admonitions and exhortations; that they may maintain peace and love amongst all Christians, and frame themselves and their families according to the precepts of Thy Holy Gospel. Give them the will, O LORD, to do their duty, and strength and power faithfully to perform the same: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Or this.

O CHRIST, the true Priest, Whose Priesthood never passeth away, let Thy power come to the aid of Thy servants; and clothe them with glory and beauty, that they may carefully and excellently discharge their priesthood according to Thy pleasure; and as they have received their talents to be profitably employed, as the SPIRIT giveth ability, they may at last lay them on Thy table with abundant gain, that they may become worthy to hear that voice full of hope, Enter into the joy that has no end. May they go on, O LORD, from strength to strength; lift them up while they worship Thee: perfect Thy

gifts in them, and crown their heads with a diadem, and in their hearts, as in an ark, may Thy grace be stored up; grant them Thine abundant help, and fill their labours with power. *Amen.*

(Syro-Nestorian Ordinal.)

FOR THE FLOCK.

O Holy FATHER, have mercy upon this flock, and rouse their souls to a true love of Thy will, and an earnest practice of Thy righteousness. Save them, lest they perish, save them in this day of salvation from the tyranny of sin. Thou hast sent me to preach Thy Word unto them that they may hear and live; grant that I may so preach and so labour that they may be won to repentance and peace for Thy dear Son's sake. *Amen.*

Or this.

Remember all this my flock, the dear charge entrusted to me, children and old men, young men and maidens, the prosperous and the afflicted, the heathful and the sick . . . . those in the midst of life, those at the point of death . . . . remember them on the day of judgment, for they are Thy people, the sheep of Thy pasture, purchased by Thy Blood, O SAVIOUR CHRIST. Spare both the shepherd and the sheep, and have pity on us, have great pity on us. Enable us to go through all the mysteries that meet us when we pass out of this world with a firm trust in Thee. Enable us to stand before Thee on the day of judgment with a good hope. By all manifestations of Divine love, all mercies, providences, instances of long-suffering, gifts of the SPIRIT,

approaches to Thee in prayer and Eucharist, intercessions of CHRIST, guardianship of angels, by all this love past and present, I pray Thee continue forth Thy loving kindness. As Thou hast loved us in times past, as Thou art merciful to us at this present time, so shew forth Thy love on the last day. On the last day look upon us, though we be sinners; strengthen us in that dread hour when we behold Thee in Thy Majesty, and enable us to stand before Thee, Thou Judge of quick and dead. We are Thine: save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O LORD, Who hast the keys of death and of hell. Even so, LORD JESU. *Amen.*

THANKSGIVING.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

Blessing, and honour, and power be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Sabbato (Mane).

Post primas orationes, sicut in Dominica, hæ sequantur.

Dum stas ad mensam precatoriam,

✠ In Nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti. *Amen.*

Exaudi orationem meam: ad Te omnis caro veniet. (Ps. lxv. 2.)

HYMNUS MATUTINUS.

O CHRISTE, qui noster poli
Precursor intras regiam,
Quos hic jacentes respicis,
Sursum voca, sursum trahe.

Ad illa fac nos currere,
Amore casto, gaudia,
Terrena quæ mens non capit,
Quæ sola perspicit fides:

Ubi laborum præmium
Dat Ipse Se Suis Deus;
Et ut beatos expleat,
In omnibus fit omnia.

O quando lucescet Tuus
Qui nescit occasum, dies!
O quando sancta se dabit,
Quæ nescit hostem, patria!

Qui nos ad istam gratia
Ducat potenti gloriam,
Nunc e supernis sedibus
Emitte nobis Spiritum.

Fons sanctitatis, O Deus,
Æterna sanctorum quies,
Te laudet omnis spiritus
Nunc et per omne sæculum. Amen.
(Brev. Paris.)

PSALM LIV. (*Sicut ante.*)

PSALM CXIX. 81-96. *Caph.*

Querela animæ.

81 Defecit in salutare Tuum anima mea :
Et in verbum Tuum supersperavi.
82 Defecerunt oculi mei in eloquuim Tuum,
Dicentes, Quando consolaberis me ?
83 Quia factus sum sicut uter in pruina :
Justificationes Tuas non sum oblitus.
84 Quot sunt dies servi Tui ?
Quando facies de persequentibus me judicium ?
85 Narraverunt mihi iniqui fabulationes :
Sed non ut lex Tua.
86 Omnia mandata Tua veritas :
Inique persecuti sunt me, adjuva me.
87 Paulominus consummaverunt me in terra :
Ego autem non dereliqui mandata Tua.
88 Secundum misericordiam Tuam vivifica me :
Et custodiam testimonia oris Tui.

Lamed.

Æterna Dei Justitia.

89 In æternum, Domine,
Verbum Tuum permanet in cœlo.
90 In generationem et generationem veritas Tua :
Fundasti terram, et permanet.
91 Ordinatione Tua perseverat dies :
Quoniam omnia serviunt Tibi.
92 Nisi quod lex Tua meditatio mea est :
Tunc forte periissem in humilitate mea.

93 In æternum non obliviscar justificationes Tuas:
Quia in ipsis vivificasti me.
94 Tuus sum ego, salvum me fac:
Quoniam justificationes Tuas exquisivi.
95 Me expectaverunt peccatores ut perderent me:
Testimonia Tua intellexi.
96 Omnis consummationis vidi finem:
Latum mandatum Tuum nimis!
Gloria Patri, etc.

Antiphona: Tuus sum ego, salvum me fac.

CAPITULUM. *Act. Ap.* ii. 28.

Notas mihi fecisti vias vitæ: et replebis me jucunditate cum facie Tua.

Versiculi, etc.	(Sicut in Feria III.)
Meditatio, etc.	(,, ,, ,,)
Invocatio.	(,, ,, ,,)

Inde, flexis genubus,

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison. Pater noster, etc.

Tu, Deus noster, suavis et verus es, patiens, et in misericordia disponens omnia. Etenim si peccaverimus, Tui sumus, scientes magnitudinem Tuam: et si non peccaverimus, scimus quoniam apud Te computati. Nosse enin Te consummata justitia est: et scire justitiam et virtutem Tuam, radix est immortalitatis. (Sap. xv. 1-4.)

CONFESSIO.

Obsecro, Domine Deus, magne, et terribilis,

custodiems pactum et misericordiam diligentibus Te et custodientibus mandata Tua: peccavimus, iniquitatem fecimus, impie egimus, et declinavimus a mandatis ac judiciis Tuis. . . . . . . Non obedivimus servis Tuis prophetis, qui locuti sunt in Nomine Tuo regibus nostris, principibus nostris, patribus nostris, omnique populo terræ. Nobis itaque confusio faciei: Tibi autem, Domino Deo nostro, misericordia et propitiatio, quia recessimus a Te, et non audivimus vocem Domini Dei nostri, ut ambularemus in lege Tua, quam posuisti nobis. Nunc ergo exaudi nos, Deus noster, et ostende faciem Tuam super nos, et super civitatem nostram. Neque enim in justificationibus nostris prosternimus preces ante faciem Tuam, sed in miserationibus Tuis multis. Exaudi, Domine, et placare: ne moreris propter Temetipsum, Deus meus, quia Nomen Tuum invocatum est super civitatem, et super populum istum. *Amen.*

(Oratio Danielis.)

PRO DEI ADJUTORIO.

Adjuva me, Domine Deus, Pater charissime, remissionem consequi peccatorum. Eripe me, pie Pastor sancti ovilis Tui, ovem infirmam ab infernalium fame luporum; negligentias meas quotidianas absterge; mentem meam ad amorem Tuorum converte preceptorum; vitam meam justificá; actus meos guberna; cogitationes purifica; animam custodi; corpus tuere. Et adjuva me quotidie in præceptis Tuis proficere, Teque Patrem piissimum toto corde diligere, et omne quod contrarium Tibi est despicere; sicque in præsenti vivere, ut illuc valeam pertingere ubi Tu

ne fine cum Christo et Spiritu Sancto regnas. *Amen.* (Anglo Saxon : Sæc. x.)

PRO CASTITATE.

Deus, castorum corporum benignus habitator, et incorruptarum amator animarum; qui humanam substantiam in primis hominibus diabolica fraude vitiatem, ita in Verbo Tuo reparas, ut eam ad primæ originis innocentiam revoces; et obstrictos adhuc conditione mortalium jam ad similitudinem provehas angelorum: respice, Domine, super nos famulos Tuos, qui Tibi devotionem nostram offerimus. Implorantibus auxilium Tuum, Domine, et confirmari benedictione Tua cupientibus, da protectionis Tuæ munimen et regimen. Sit in nobis, Domine, per donum Spiritus Tui, modestia, benignitas, gravis lenitas, casta libertas. In charitate ferveamus, et nihil super Te diligamus; laudabiliter vivamus, laudarique non appetamus. Te in sanctitate corporis, Te in animi nostri puritate glorificemus. Amore Te timeamus, amore Tibi serviamus. Tu nobis, Domine, honor sis, Tu gaudium; Tu in maerore solatium, in ambiguitate consilium, in injuria defensio, in paupertate abundantia, in infirmitate medicina: denique in morte Tu nobis sis, Domine, vita beata et sempiterna: per Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum. *Amen.*

(S. Leo Magnus.)

LAUDIS ACTIO.

O quantum sumus Tibi debitores, Domine Deus noster, tanto redempti pretio, tanto salvati dono, et tam glorioso adjuti beneficio! O quantum a nobis miseris es timendus amandus, benedicendus, et

glorificandus; qui nos sic amasti, sic salvasti, sic sanctificasti! Tibi nempe debemus omne quod possumus, omne quod vivimus, omne quod sapimus. Quis enim habet quidquam non Tuum? Tu, Domine Deus noster, a quo bona cuncta procedunt, propter nomen sanctum Tuum da nobis de bonis Tuis; ut de bonis ac datis Tuis serviamus Tibi et in veritate placeamus, atque debitas quotidie laudes rependamus Tibi pro tantis beneficiis misericordiæ Tuæ. Non enim aliunde possumus Tibi servire neque placere, nisi de Tuo munere. Omne enim datum optimum et omne donum perfectum desursum est, descendens a Patre luminum, apud quem non est transmutatio, nec vicissitudinis obumbratio. Domine Deus noster, Deus pie, Deus bone, Deus omnipotens, Deus inffabilis et incircumscriptæ naturæ, Deus institutor omnium rerum, et D. N. J. C. Pater; per Ipsum summum Sacerdotem, et bonum Pastorem nostrum, qui Se Tibi obtulit in sacrificium, ponens animam Suam pro grege Suo; per Ipsum qui sedet ad dexteram Tuam et interpellat pro nobis, redemptorem et advocatum nostrum; Te rogo ut des mihi, cum eodem Filio Tuo et Spiritu Sancto, Te in omnibus benedicere et glorificare, cum multa cordis contritione, cum multa reverentia et tremore; et facias me, Domine, strenue perseverare in præceptis et laudibus Tuis usque in finem. *Amen.*

(S. Augustinus.)

PRO ECCLESIA.

Exsurge, Domine, ut dissipentur inimici, et fugiant qui Te oderunt, justi et Christi discipuli gaudeant et laetentur, cantent Tibi laudes et can-

tiones suaves, magnificentiam Tuam celebrent, et majestatem Tuam extollant. Crescat gloria Tua, et cœleste regnum Christi inter electos dilatetur. Esto Pater populorum, Judex viduarum, et illorum in primis Protector quos mundus deserit, quorum perturbatæ sunt conscientiæ, quos propter Christum mundus persequitur, qui egeni sunt et miseriarum pleni. In domo Tua, habitemus, Domine, in pace et concordia : da nobis idem cor, eundem animum, eundem verum Verbi Tui intellectum : avelle vincula tam a conscientiis, quam a corporibus miserabilium captivorum, et illorum qui adhuc funibus mortis sunt circumdati, et temere gratiæ Tuæ repugnant. Quam sitiens, Domine, est grex Tuus hereditatis Tuæ ! effunde, quæso, largiter gratiæ Tuæ imbres ; copiosior ubertas accidat, populus Spiritu Tuo confirmetur. Largire nobis, Domine, verbum Tuum copiose, uti multi sint annuntiatores Evangelii, qui inter seipsos sancte conspirent et concordent. Ecclesia Tua, Christi Sponsa, victo Satana, multa spolia dividat. Omnes, qui in Te per Christum credunt, O Domine Deus salutis, Te laudibus evehant, honorent Te, et extollant. Intravimus in viam salutis, duc nos prospere in portum, ut per Te ab ipsa morte liberati effugiamus, et ad veram vitam veniamus : perfice illud quod in nobis incepisti : fac nos a fide in fidem proficere : ne nos arbitriis nostris relinquas ; arbitrium enim nostrum lubricum est et proclive ad cadendum. Verbi Tui fulminibus adhibe vim, Domine, ut Tibi soli demus gloriam. Da populo Tuo fortitudinem et robur, ut peccato resistant, et verbo Tuo in omnibus obediant, O gloriosissime Domine, et excellens super omnia. *Amen.* (Ex. Ps. lxviii.)

PRO VIRTUTIBUS CHRISTIANIS.

O Pater misericors, impertias mihi gratiam Tuam, ut ministrem in fide mea virtutem, in virtute autem scientiam, in scientia autem abstinentiam, in abstinentia autem patientiam, in patientia autem pietatem, in pietate autem amorem fraternitatis, in amore autem fraternitatis charitatem: quo, non oblitus purgationis veterum meorum delictorum, bonis operibus abundem, et satagam in certa mea vocatione et electione facienda: per Jesum Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

PRO SIMPLICITATE.

Conversi ad Te, Domine Deus, Pater Omnipotens, puro corde Tibi, quantum potest parvitas nostra, maximas atque veras gratias agimus: precantes toto animo singularem mansuetudinem Tuam, ut preces nostras in beneplacito Tuo exaudire digneris. Inimicum a nostris actibus et cogitationibus Tua virtute expelle; nobis fidem multiplica; mentem guberna; spirituales cogitationes concede; et ad beatitudinem Tuam nos perducito: per Jesum Christum, Filium Tuum, Dominum nostrum; qui Tecum vivit et regnat, in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia sæcula sæculorum. *Amen.* (S. Augustinus.)

SURSUM CORDA.

Sursum corda habeamus ad Dominum: ut vere dignum est et justum, conveniens et debitum, in omnibus et per omnia, in omni tempore, loco, modo, semper, ubique, omnimodo, Tui recordari, Te adorare; Tibi confiteri, Te laudare; Tibi benedicere, Te celebrare, Tibi gratias agere, omnium

Creatori, Altori, Conservatori, Gubernatori, Curatori, Auctori, Consummatori, Domino et Patri, Regi et Deo, Fonti Vitæ et Immortalitatis, Thesauro æternorum bonorum, Quem laudant cœli et cœli cœlorum, Quem Angeli, et omnes cœli Potestates, indesinenter inter se clamantes (et nos humiles atque indigni sub pedibus eorum, cum illis) Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus, Deus Sabaoth, pleni omnes cœli, et omnis terra Majestate et Gloria Tua. Benedicta sit gloria Domini ex loco Ejus, propter Deitatem, Incomprehensibilitatem, Celsitudinem, Dominium, Omnipotentiam, Æternitatem, Providentiam, Sanctitatem, Justitiam, Sapientiam, Veritatem, Bonitatem, Misericordiam; præsertim vero propter abundantes divitias Gratiæ Suæ atque Amoris in Christo JESU. *Amen.*

(Lanc. Andrewes, Ep. Winton.)

Benedictio, et claritas, et sapientia, et gratiarum actio, et honor, et virtus, et fortitudo, Deo nostro in sæcula sæculorum. *Amen.*

Preces Vespertinæ.

✠

Sunday Evening.

✠ In the Name of the FATHER, and of the SON, and of the HOLY GHOST. *Amen.*

(First may be said the *Gratiarum Actio post Eucharistiam* from Avancini, p. 463.) Or Psalm xv., *Domine, quis habitat?* (when the above office is not used.)

Or,

PSALM CXXI. *Levavi oculos.*

Divine Guardianship.

1 I will lift up mine eyes unto the mountains: from whence shall my help come?

2 My help *cometh* from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.

3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: He that keepeth thee will not slumber.

4 Behold, He that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

5 The LORD is thy keeper: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand.

6 The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.
7 The LORD shall keep thee from all evil; He shall keep thy soul.
8 The LORD shall keep thy going out and thy coming in, from this time forth and for evermore.

PSALM CXXIV. *Nisi quia Dominus.*

The Pilgrim's Thanksgiving.

1 If it had not been the LORD who was on our side, let Israel now say;
2 If it had not been the LORD who was on our side, when men rose up against us:
3 Then they had swallowed us up alive, when their wrath was kindled against us:
4 Then the waters had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over our soul:
5 Then the proud waters had gone over our soul.
6 Blessed be the LORD, Who hath not given us as a prey to their teeth.
7 Our soul is escaped as a bird out of the snare of the fowlers: the snare is broken, and we are escaped.
8 Our help is in the Name of the LORD, Who made heaven and earth.

O LORD, my GOD and FATHER, blessed be Thy Name for ever; dispose my heart, open my lips, and guide me by Thy HOLY SPIRIT, that my prayers and praises may be acceptable in Thy sight; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

(The Primer.)

O most gracious GOD, my Creator, Redeemer,

Preserver, the Rock of my Salvation: I thank Thee from my inmost heart for all Thy blessings which this day and throughout my life Thou hast so bountifully bestowed upon me so utterly unworthy: for my life and health and strength: for my senses and faculties;—sight, hearing, speech; memory, imagination, reason, affections, conscience, will;—for my office and work in Thy Holy Church; for the opportunity Thou hast this day given me of ministering in Thy congregation, of worshipping with my brethren; of preaching the Word of Life, and declaring Thy Name to Thy people, of celebrating and receiving the Blessed Sacrament; for all who have called upon Thee and worshipped before Thee in spirit and truth; for the pleasantness and peace of Thy holy day. Especially I thank Thee for Thy great glory in the redemption of the world by our LORD JESUS CHRIST, and for the gift of Thy Blessed Word and Sacraments. Praise and glory be to Thee from me and from Thine elect in heaven and earth, and from all Thy creatures for ever and ever. *Amen.*

FOR LIGHT.

O GOD, Who searchest the heart and markest all our steps, do Thou enlighten my darkness and show me wherein I have this day gone astray in thought, word, or deed.

(*Here examine your conscience and review the past day, and make your humble confession.*)

O FATHER of mercies, Who hast no pleasure in the death of sinners, look upon me in the multitude

of Thy mercies. I have sinned against Thee . . . . O most pitiful GOD, I cast all the offences of this day and of all my life into the ocean of Thine Everlasting Love, wherewith Thou hast loved us. I grieve from my inmost heart that I have been so ungrateful for Thy many blessings to me, and have so often offended Thee, my GOD, and all my good. I beseech Thee by the Death and by the Love of Thy SON JESUS CHRIST, spare me, a poor sinner, and of Thine exceeding Mercy forgive me all that I have this day or ever committed against Thee, my neighbour or myself.

RESOLVE.

O Almighty GOD, I would firmly purpose to amend my ways, to attend more diligently to my duties, to avoid all sins and the occasions of them. Do Thou, giving me the will, give me also the power to perform, that so I may live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world, and in the world to come, with all Thy saints may praise Thee eternally.

O LORD, let my prayer come before Thee,
And accept this my evening sacrifice.

FOR A QUIET NIGHT.

O GOD, Who art without beginning and without end, the Maker of the whole world by CHRIST, and the Provider for it, but His GOD and FATHER, the LORD of spirits, and the KING of intelligent and sensible beings; Who hast made the day for the works of light and the night for the refreshment of our infirmity; for the day is Thine and the night

also is Thine; Thou hast prepared the light and the sun;—do Thou now, O LORD, Thou Lover of mankind and Fountain of all good, mercifully accept of this our evening thanksgiving. Thou hast brought us through the length of the day, and hast brought us to the beginning of the night; preserve us by Thy CHRIST; afford us peaceful repose and a night free from sin, and vouchsafe to us everlasting life by Thy CHRIST, through Whom glory, honour, and worship, be to Thee in the HOLY SPIRIT for ever. *Amen.*

(Apostolical Constitutions.)

FOR HOUSE AND FAMILY.

Visit, O LORD, I beseech Thee, this and every habitation in the parishes of . . . . and drive far from them all the snares of the enemy; let Thy holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace, and let Thy blessing be ever upon us: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen*

COMMENDATION.

Into Thy hands, O LORD, I commend myself and all my friends . . . . and all that belongs to me . . . . Thou hast given them unto me, O LORD, in Thy goodness. Grant us to pass through this night without danger and without fear. Awaken me at a fitting time, the time of prayer, and make me to rise and seek Thee early for Thy glory and Thy service. *Amen.*

Our FATHER, etc.,

The Hymn.

Hail, gladdening Light, of His pure glory poured,
Who is the Immortal Father, Heavenly, Blest,
Holiest of Holies, Jesu Christ, our Lord.
Now we are come to the sun's hour of rest,
The lights of evening round us shine,
We hymn the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
Divine.

Worthiest art Thou at all times to be sung
With undefilèd tongue,
Son of our God, Giver of life, Alone!
Therefore in all the world Thy glories, Lord, they
own. Amen.

Compline Hymn.

Let me come closer to Thee, Jesu,
Oh, closer day by day;
Let me lean harder on Thee, Jesu,
Yes, harder all the way.

Let me show forth Thy beauty, Jesu,
Like sunshine on the hills,
Oh, let my lips pour forth Thy sweetness
In joyous sparkling rills;

Yes, like a fountain precious, Jesu,
Make me, and let me be;
Keep me, and use me daily, Jesu,
For Thee, for only Thee.

In all my heart and will, O Jesu,
Be altogether King;

Make me a loyal subject, JESU,
To Thee in everything.

Hungering and thirsting for Thee, JESU,
With blessed hunger here,
Longing for home on Zion's mountain—
No thirst, no hunger there. Amen.
(Fr. Ignatius.)

Bone Pastor, Panis vere,
JESU, nostri miserere,
Tu nos pasce, nos tuere,
Tu nos bona fac videre
In terra viventium—
Tu Qui cuncta scis et vales.
(S. Thom. Aq.)

Sive.

DIE DOMINICA (VESPERE).

✠ In Nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti. *Amen.*

Imprimis, dicenda est *Gratiarum Actio post Eucharistiam*, apud Avancini, p. 463.

Inde, PSALM XV. (vice ejus quod supra scriptum est).

1 Domine, quis habitabit in tabernaculo Tuo? Aut quis requiescet in monte sancto Tuo?

2 Qui ingreditur sine macula, et operatur justitiam;
Qui loquitur veritatem in corde suo;
3 Qui non egit dolum in lingua sua,
Nec fecit proximo suo malum,
Et opprobrium non accepit adversus proximos suos;
4 Ad nihilum deductus est in conspectu ejus malignus;
Timentes autem Dominum glorificat;
Qui jurat proximo suo, et non decepit;
5 Qui pecuniam suam non dedit ad usuram,
Et munera super innocentem non accepit:
Qui facit hæc non movebitur in æternum.
Gloria Patri, etc.

PSALM CXXI.

Seu in loco illius Psalmi hi duo dicendi.

1 Levavi oculos in montes:
Unde veniet auxilium mihi?
2 Auxilium meum a Domino,
Qui fecit cœlum et terram.
3 Non det in commotionem pedem tuum:
Neque dormitet qui custodit te.
4 Ecce non dormitabit neque dormiet,
Qui custodit Israel.
5 Dominus custodit te,
Dominus protectio tua, super manum dexteram tuam.
6 Per diem sol non uret te:
Neque luna per noctem.
7 Dominus custodit te ab omni malo:
Custodiat animam tuam Dominus.

8 Dominus custodiat introitum tuum et exitum tuum :
Et hoc nunc, et usque in sæculum.
Gloria Patri, etc.

PSALM CXXIV.

1 Nisi quia Dominus erat in nobis,
Dicat nunc Israel.
2 Nisi quia Dominus erat in nobis,
Cum exsurgerent homines in nos :
3 Forte vivos deglutissent nos :
Cum irasceretur furor eorum in nos :
4 Forsitan aqua absorbuisset nos :
Torrentem pertransivit anima nostra :
5 Forsitan pertransisset anima nostra aquam intolerabilem.
6 Benedictus Dominus,
Qui non dedit nos in captionem dentibus eorum.
7 Anima nostra sicut passer erepta est de laqueo venantium :
Laqueus contritus est, et nos liberati sumus.
8 Adjutorium nostrum in Nomine Domini,
Qui fecit cœlum et terram.
Gloria Patri, etc.

Gratias ago Tibi Pater Omnipotens, Æterne Deus, qui, pro infinita bonitate Tua, me indignum famulum Tuum dignatus es hoc die ab hostium meorum, tam corporis, quam animæ, insidiis salvum et incolumem custodire. Teque precor, ut quicquid hodie cogitando, loquendo, vel faciendo contra præcepta et mandata Tua deliqui, id totum mihi ex paterna benignitate Tua remittas atque con-

dones. Ad hæc Te rogo atque obtestor, ut et hanc mihi noctem velis salutarem esse, meque ab omni periculo corporis et animæ Tua eadem bonitate et gratia clementer tueri et conservare, ut oculi mei tranquille dormiant, corpus secure quiescat, et ànimus ad Te semper vigilet, ne usquam suggillatori Satanæ consentiat. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

PRECATIO UT IN DEO SUPER OMNIA BONA QUIESCAMUS.

Da mihi, dulcissime et amantissime JESU, in Te super omnem creaturam requiescere, super omnem gloriam et honorem, super omnem potentiam et dignitatem, super omnem scientiam et subtilitatem, super omnes divitias et artes, super omnem suavitatem et consolationem, super omnem spem et promissionem. Denique super Angelos et Archangelos, et super omnem exercitum cœli, super omnia visibilia et invisibilia, et super omne quod Tu Deus meus non es. Quia Tu Deus meus super omnia optimus es; Tu solus altissimus, Tu solus potentissimus, Tu solus sufficientissimus et plenissimus.

O quando ad plenum dabitur vacare mihi et videre quam suavis es, Domine Deus meus? O JESU, splendor æternæ gloriæ, solamen peregrinantis animæ, apud Te est os meum sine voce, et silentium meum loquitur Tibi. Usque quo tardat venire Dominus meus? Veniat ad me pauperculum Suum, et laetum faciat. Mittat manum Suam, et me miserum eripiat de omni angustia. Veni, veni, quia sine Te nulla erit quieta dies aut hora; quia Tu lætitia mea, et sine Te vacua est

mensa mea. Miser sum, et quodammodo incarceratus, et compedibus gravatus, donec luce præsentiæ Tuæ me reficias. Quærant alii pro Te aliud quodcumque libuerit; mihi interim aliud nil placet nec placebit, nisi Tu Deus meus, spes mea, salus æterna. Sis ergo benedictus, Domine, qui fecisti hanc bonitatem secundum multitudinem misericordiæ Tuæ. Quid habet ultra dicere, Domine, servus Tuus coram Te? nisi ut humiliet se valde ante Te, memor semper propriæ iniquitatis et vilitatis. Non enim est similis Tui in cunctis mirabilibus cœli et terræ. Sunt opera Tua bona valde, Domine, judicia vera, et providentiâ Tuâ reguntur, universa. Laus ergo Tibi et gloria, O Patris Sapientia. Te laudet et benedicat os meum, anima mea, et cuncta creata simul. *Amen.*

(S. Tho. Kemp. iii. 21.)

PRO PARENTIBUS.

Domine Deus qui nos secundum Te plurimum honoris parentibus nostris habere voluisti, nec inter officia pietatis minimum est, pro parentum incolumitate Tuam bonitatem interpellare: serva quæso, parentes meos cum omni familia, primum in Tuæ religionis amore, deinde tutos a corporis et animi perturbatione: mihi vero præsta, ne quid illis ex me molestiarum accedat: denique ut ego illos, illi Te propitium, habeant, qui supremus es omnium Pater. *Amen.* (Erasmus.)

PRO CLERO ET ECCLESIA.

Domine Deus noster, qui Apostolis Tuis sanctis manifestasti mysterium gloriæ Christi Tui, mag-

naque et innumerabilia dona eis dedisti, quæ gratiam Tuam decent misistique eos ad prædicandum in omnibus finibus mundi divitias gratiæ Tuæ occultæ et misericordiæ Tuæ: Et nos, Domine, rogamus et deprecamur Te, ut nos dignos efficias hæreditate et societate illorum, ut ambulemus in viis eorum, et sequamur vestigia eorum. Concede etiam nobis ut semper illos imitemur, et in amore eorum roboremur, participesque simus laborum eorum, in vero Dei cultu. Custodi etiam, Domine, Ecclesiam Tuam sanctam, quam per illos fundasti, et benedic oves pascuæ Tuæ. Multiplica vineam istam, quam plantavit dextera Tua sancta, per J. C. D. N. per quem Tibi et cum Eo, simulque cum Spiritu Sancto, est gloria et potestas, nunc et semper, et in sæcula sæculorum. *Amen.* (Ethiopic.)

ORATIO VESPERTINA.

O piissime humani generis Parens, Deus æterne, immortales ago Tibi gratias, pro collatis mihi indignissimo beneficiis: da Pater benigniissime, ut Tuis donis et gratiis, non ad nominis Tui probrum et meam perniciem, sed ad gloriam Tuam meamque et proximorum salutem, semper uti studeam. Obsecro, dona mihi poscenti veniam delictorum omnium. Atque oro, ut si hac nocte hinc me discedere velis, clementer, pro Tua misericordia, mecum agas: sin vero diutius vitam meam prorogare cogites, gratiam largiaris, sobrie, juste, et pie vivendi in hoc sæculo.

Salva nos, Domine, vigilantes, custodi nos dormientes; ut vigilemus cum Christo, et per Christum requiescamus in pace. *Amen.*

PRO FAMILIA DOMUS.

Visita, quæso, Domine, habitationem meam, et omnes insidias inimici ab ea longe repelle: angeli Tui sancti habitent in ea, et nos in pace et sanitate custodiant, et benedictio Tua sit super nos semper, per Jesum Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

PRO INIMICIS.

– Deus pacis et charitatis, da omnibus inimicis mihi pacem et charitatem, omniumque remissionem peccatorum, meque ab eorum insidiis potenter eripe; per Jesum Christum Dominum Nostrum. *Amen.* (Laud.)

COMMENDATIO.

O Domine JESU, propter illam amaritudinem quam pro me miserrimo sustinuisti in cruce, maxime in illa hora, quando nobilissima anima Tua egressa est de benedicto corpore Tuo; deprecor Te, miserere animæ meæ in egressu suo, et perduc eam in vitam æternam. *Amen.* (Laud.)

Our FATHER, etc.

Die vel vita vesperascente Hymnus,
Sæculo secundo vel certe tertio compositus.

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ΑΜΗΝ.

BENEDICTIO.

Dominus noster JESUS CHRISTUS cui hodie ministravimus, quem sensimus et honoravimus in mysteriis Suis præclaris, sanctis, vivificantibus et divinis, dignos Ipse nos efficiat gloria splendida regni Sui, et laetitia cum Angelis Suis sanctis, et ad confidentiam coram Eo, ut stemus ad Ejus dexteram. Et super gregem Ejus universum miserationes et misericordia Ejus perpetuo effundantur, nunc et semper, in sæcula. (Nestorian.)

Monday Evening.

✠ In the Name of the FATHER, and of the SON, and of the HOLY GHOST. Amen.

℣. Turn us, O GOD our SAVIOUR.

℟. And let Thine anger cease from us.

Alleluia.

PSALM IV. *Cum invocarem.*

The Prayer of Faith at Eventide. (Compline.)

1 Answer me when I call, O GOD of my righteousness; Thou hast set me at large *when I was* in distress: have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer.

2 O ye sons of men, how long shall my glory be turned into dishonour? *How long* will ye love vanity, and seek after falsehood?

3 But know that the LORD hath set apart him that is godly for Himself: the LORD will hear when I call unto Him.

4 Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still.

5 Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the LORD.

6 Many there be that say: Who will show us *any* good? LORD, lift Thou up the light of Thy countenance upon us.

7 Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than *they have* when their corn and their wine are increased.

8 In peace will I both lay me down and sleep: for Thou, LORD, alone makest me dwell in safety.

PSALM XXXI. 1-5. *In Te, Domine, speravi.*

Commendation of the spirit.

1 In Thee, O LORD, do I put my trust: let me

never be ashamed: deliver me in Thy righteousness.

2 Bow down Thine ear unto me; deliver me speedily: be Thou to me a strong rock, an house of defence to save me.

3 For Thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for Thy Name's sake lead me and guide me.

4 Pluck me out of the net that they have laid privily for me; for Thou art my stronghold.

5 Into Thine hand I commend my spirit: Thou hast redeemed me, O LORD, Thou GOD of truth.

PSALM XCI. *Qui habitat.*

The life which is hid in God.

1 He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

2 I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress; my GOD, in Whom I trust.

3 For He shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.

4 He shall cover thee with His pinions, and under His wings shalt thou take refuge: His truth is a shield and a buckler.

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night, nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

6 For the pestilence that walketh in darkness, nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.

7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand: *but* it shall not come nigh thee.

8 Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold, and see the reward of the wicked.
9 For Thou, O LORD, art my refuge! Thou hast made the Most High thy habitation.
10 There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy tent.
11 For He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.
12 They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.
13 Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the serpent shalt thou trample under feet.
14 Because he hath set his love upon Me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known My Name.
15 He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble: I will deliver him, and honour him.
16 With long life will I satisfy him, and show him My salvation.

PSALM CXXXIV. *Ecce Nunc.*

Pilgrims and Priests.

1 Behold, bless ye the LORD, all ye servants of the LORD, which by night stand in the house of the LORD.
2 Lift up your hands to the sanctuary, and bless ye the LORD.
3 The LORD bless thee out of Sion; even He that made heaven and earth.

Antiphon: Have mercy upon me, and hearken unto my prayer.

THE CHAPTER. *Jer.* xiv. 9.

Thou, O LORD, art in the midst of us, and we are called by Thy Name; leave us not.

℟. Thanks be to GOD.

THE HYMN.

BEFORE the ending of the day,
Creator of the world, we pray
That Thou with wonted love wouldst keep
Thy watch around us while we sleep.

O let no evil dreams be near,
Nor phantoms of the night appear;
Our ghostly enemy restrain,
Lest aught of sin our bodies stain.

Almighty FATHER, hear our cry
Through JESUS CHRIST our LORD most High,
Who with the HOLY GHOST and Thee
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

℣. Keep me as the apple of an eye.
℟. Hide me under the shadow of Thy wings.

Antiphon: Come, O LORD, and visit us in peace, that we may rejoice before Thee with a perfect heart.

℣. Let us bless the FATHER, the SON, and the HOLY GHOST.
℟. Let us bless and exalt Him for ever.

℣. Blessed be Thou, O LORD, in the firmament of heaven.

℟. And praised for evermore.

℣. May the Almighty and most merciful GOD bless us and keep us.

℟. Amen.

FOR PEACE.

O LORD, we beseech Thee mercifully to hear the prayers of Thy Church, and grant that we, being delivered from all adversities, and serving Thee with a quiet mind, may enjoy Thy peace all the days of our life: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the HOLY GHOST, ever one GOD, world without end. *Amen.*

℣. May the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

℟. Amen.

End of Compline.

FORM OF SELF-EXAMINATION AND CONFESSION.

Open, LORD, mine eyes, that I may see my sins: Examine me and prove me: Try out my reins and my heart! Look well if there be any way of wickedness in me; and lead me in the way everlasting, for JESUS CHRIST'S sake. *Amen.*

QUESTIONS FOR DAILY USE.

Did I last night say all my prayers carefully, and go to bed with a good conscience and trust in GOD?

LORD, have mercy upon me, and teach me how to pray.

Did I refrain from evil thoughts during wakefulness?

LORD, have mercy upon me, and keep all evil from my bed.

Did I rise in good time? think first of GOD? make all my accustomed acts of devotion? say them as really speaking to GOD?

In Church did I join in the service with my whole heart?

LORD, have mercy upon me, and make my devotions acceptable unto Thee.

Have I tried in everything to do GOD'S will? Have I truly loved Him?

LORD, have mercy upon me, and make it my desire and delight to do Thy holy will.

Have I given way at all to evil thoughts against GOD, against my neighbour, against myself?

LORD, have mercy upon me, and shield me from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul.

Have I said anything wrong to the injury of religion, of my neighbour?

LORD, have mercy upon me, and set a watch before my mouth, and keep the door of my lips.

Have I knowingly done what GOD would not have me do?

LORD, have mercy upon me, and keep me back from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me.

Have I been idle, doing slightly, or leaving undone, the work which GOD has given me to do?

LORD, have mercy upon me, and grant me to accomplish the works Thou preparest for me, and to be a good and faithful servant.

Have I wasted time in light or frivolous reading, conversation, or employment?

LORD, have mercy upon, and grant me to use and not abuse the opportunities and means of grace which Thou affordest me.

Have I been thoroughly patient, contented, and trustful? not been self-satisfied?

LORD, have mercy upon me, and enable me to wait evermore upon Thee.

Have I been temperate and pure in all things?

LORD, have mercy upon me, and enable me to mortify all my evil and corrupt affections, and daily to proceed in all virtue and godliness of living.

Have I been quite honest and sincere in all that I have said and done?

LORD, have mercy upon me, and keep my heart from evil, and my lips that they speak no guile.

Have I made the Life of JESUS my pattern in all things?

LORD, have mercy upon me, and grant me so perfectly to know Thy Son JESUS CHRIST to be the Way, the Truth, and the Life, that I may stedfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life.

O LORD, Thou knowest all my sins, and my faults are not hid from Thee. Give me ever true penitence and faith, that, with a holy disposition of mind, I may make my confession, and obtain pardon of Thee, the just and merciful GOD, through the atoning blood of Thy dear Son, JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

O LORD, our Heavenly FATHER, Almighty and Eternal GOD, Whose glory the Heaven of heavens cannot contain, look down from Thy throne of mercy upon Thy poor servant, humbly thanking Thee for Thy love and benefits, and confessing to

Thee all my sins which I have committed from my childhood until now, whether by night or by day, knowingly or ignorantly, and especially my sins and negligences of this day.

I confess to GOD Almighty, to His only begotten Son JESUS CHRIST our LORD, and to GOD the HOLY GHOST, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, through my fault, through my own most grievous fault . . . . (name the besetting sins in order of the flesh and spirit, or commission and omission). O my GOD, I would earnestly repent and be heartily sorry for these and all mine other offences against Thy Divine Majesty. I would love Thee with my whole heart and soul, and would firmly purpose, by the help of Thy grace, never more to offend Thee. Forgive me, I beseech Thee, all that I this day or ever committed against Thee, my neighbour, or myself, for the death and passion of our most dear Lord and Saviour JESUS CHRIST. Have mercy upon me, O GOD, after Thy great goodness, according to the multitude of Thy mercies, do away mine offences. Wash me throughly from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin. Give me true sorrow for love of Thee, that I have so offended Thee, and of Thy mercy bring me to everlasting life; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

May the Almighty and Merciful LORD grant me pardon, absolution, and remission of all my sins. *Amen.*

And now, O most gracious GOD and FATHER, I give Thee humble thanks for Thy countless and great benefits, proceeding only from Thy bounty

and intended for my good, particularly for preserving me this day from so many dangers belonging to my condition, and from so many calamities due to my sins. Thou art my Creator, O GOD, and my Protector. Thou hast made me for Thyself. Under the shadow of Thy wings is perpetual peace, and from the light of Thy countenance flow eternal joy and blessedness. To Thee be glory and honour, to Thee adoration and obedience from all Thy creatures for ever. *Amen.*

And since Thou hast ordained the day to labour, and the night to take our rest, as I thank Thee for the blessings of this day past, so I beseech Thee for Thy protection this night to come. Let the eye of Thy providence watch over me, and Thy holy angels pitch their tents about me, that being safely preserved from all dangers, and refreshed with peaceful sleep, I may rise up again the better enabled to fulfil the duties of my calling, and with cheerful strength and gladness to serve Thee in all good works, that persevering to the end in Thy faith and fear, I may die in Thy favour, and be received into Thine Heavenly Kingdom, there with all Thy redeemed to praise Thee for ever: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

A GENERAL INTERCESSION.

O Almighty FATHER, I humbly beseech Thee to bless Thy Holy Church throughout the world, especially the branch of it in England. Give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity. Root

out from among us all sin and wickedness, all divisions and unbelief, all errors and delusions, and in Thy good time restore unto Thy Church the blessing of unity. Bless and defend all Bishops and Pastors, especially . . . . all Kings and magistrates, and all in authority. Convert sinners to true repentance; strengthen the faithful in ways of holiness; sustain all those who labour; comfort all who are oppressed with grief, all widows and orphans, and all in extreme poverty and distress, or in loneliness; especially, good LORD, remember all who are destitute of the necessary means of grace, and supply their need. Bless and preserve all Missionaries in distant lands. Convert the Jews and heathen. Remember for good all who serve Thee in religious societies, and all who are mindful of the poor and sick. Preserve all travellers by land or by water, and have mercy upon all prisoners and captives. Forgive those who have sinned with me, or whom I have led into sin, and recompense those I may have injured, offended, or neglected to help or to pray for. Direct in the way of life all who are united to me by kindred . . . . or friendship . . . . my godchildren, the clergy of this Deanery, and benefactors; all who pray for me, or have asked my prayers . . . . and all who think kindly of me. Hear them in what trouble soever they call upon Thee. Finally, O LORD, have mercy upon all men. Remember all for good. Grant us the grace to know, love, and serve Thee here, and may we all find mercy of Thee in that Day, for the sake of JESUS CHRIST, our most blessed LORD and SAVIOUR. *Amen.*

IN PREPARATION FOR THE HOUR OF DEATH.

O Eternal FATHER, I beseech Thee by the life and death of Thy well-beloved SON and by Thy loving mercy, grant unto me that I may persevere in holiness and die in Thy favour.

O JESU, I beseech Thee by the love of the Eternal FATHER, and by Thy last words on the Cross, wherewith Thou didst commend Thy spirit to Thy FATHER, receive Thou my soul at my last hour.

O GOD the HOLY GHOST, have mercy upon me, and by Thy holy inspiration strengthen me at all times, and chiefly in the hour of my death.

O Holy TRINITY, One GOD, have mercy upon me, now and in the hour of death. *Amen.*

Visit, I beseech Thee, O LORD, this and every habitation in the Parishes of . . . . and drive from us all the snares of the enemy. Let Thy holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace, and let Thy blessing be ever upon us: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Our FATHER, etc.

Save us, O LORD, waking; guard us sleeping; that while we are awake we may watch with CHRIST, and while we sleep may rest in peace. *Amen.*

BLESSING.

The Almighty and Merciful LORD, the FATHER, the SON, and the HOLY GHOST, bless and preserve me this night and evermore. *Amen.*

Feria iii. (Vespere).

✠ In Nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti. *Amen.*

℣. Converte nos, Deus Salutaris noster.
℟. Et averte iram Tuam a nobis.
℣. Deus, in adjutorium meum intende.
℟. Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina. Alleluia.

PSALM IV.

1 Cum invocarem exaudivit me Deus justitiæ meæ:
In tribulatione dilatasti mihi:
Miserere mei, et exaudi orationem meam.
2 Filii hominum usque quo gravi corde?
Ut quid diligitis vanitatem, et quæritis mendacium?
3 Et scitote quoniam mirificavit Dominus sanctum Suum:
Dominus exaudiet me cum clamavero ad Eum.
4 Irascimini, et nolite peccare:
Quæ dicitis in cordibus vestris in cubilibus vestris compungimini.
5 Sacrificate sacrificium justitiæ,
Et sperate in Domino.
6 Multi dicunt, Quis ostendit nobis bona?
Signatum est super nos lumen vultus Tui, Domine.
7 Dedisti laetitiam in corde meo,
A fructu frumenti, vini, et olei sui multiplicati sunt.
8 In pace in idipsum dormiam, et requiescam:

Quoniam Tu, Domine, singulariter in spe constituisti me.
Gloria Patri, etc.

PSALM XXXI. 1-5.

1 In Te, Domine, speravi; non confundar in æternum.
In justitia Tua libera me.
2 Inclina ad me aurem Tuam, accelera ut eruas me.
Esto mihi in Deum protectorem, et in domum refugii, ut salvam me facias.
3 Quoniam fortitudo mea, et refugium meum es Tu:
Et propter nomen Tuum deduces me, et enutries me.
4 Educes me de laqueo hoc, quem absconderunt mihi:
Quoniam Tu es protector meus.
5 In manus Tuas commendo spiritum meum:
Redemisti me, Domine Deus veritatis.
Gloria Patri, etc.

PSALM XCI.

1 Qui habitat in adjutorio Altissimi,
In protectione Dei cœli commorabitur.
2 Dicet Domino, Susceptor meus es Tu, et refugium meum:
Deus meus, sperabo in Eum.
3 Quoniam Ipse liberavit me de laqueo venantium,
Et a verbo aspero.
4 Scapulis Suis obumbrabit tibi;

Et sub pennis Ejus sperabis :
Scuto circumdabit te veritas Ejus.
5 Non timebis a timore nocturno,
A sagitta volante in die :
6 A negotio perambulante in tenebris,
Ab incursu, et dæmonio meridiano.
7 Cadent a latere tuo mille,
Et decem millia a dextris tuis :
Ad te autem non appropinquabit.
8 Verumtamen oculis tuis considerabis,
Et retributionem peccatorum videbis.
9 Quoniam Tu es, Domine, spes mea.
Altissimum posuisti refugium tuum.
10 Non accedet ad te malum,
Et flagellum non appropinquabit tabernaculo tuo.
11 Quoniam angelis Suis mandavit de te,
Ut custodiant te in omnibus viis tuis.
12 In manibus portabunt te,
Ne forte offendas ad lapidem pedem tuum.
13 Super aspidem, et basilicum ambulabis :
Et conculcabis leonem et draconem.
14 Quoniam in Me speravit, liberabo eum :
Protegam eum quoniam cognovit nomen meum.
15 Clamabit ad Me, et Ego exaudiam eum :
Cum ipso sum in tribulatione :
Eripiam et glorificabo eum.
16 Longitudine dierum replebo eum,
Et ostendam illi salutare meum.
Gloria Patri, etc.

PSALM CXXXIV.

1 Ecce, nunc benedicite Dominum omnes servi Domini.

Qui statis in domo Domini, in atriis domus Dei
nostri.
2 In noctibus extollite manus vestras in sancta,
Et benedicite Dominum.
3 Benedicat te Dominus ex Sion,
Qui fecit cœlum et terram.
Gloria Patri, etc.

Antiphona: Miserere mei, Domine: et exaudi orationem meam.

Capitulum: Jer. xiv. 9. Tu in nobis es, Domine: et nomen sanctum Tuum invocatum est super nos: ne derelinquas nos, Domine Deus noster.

HYMNUS VESPERTINUS.

CHRISTE, qui lux es et dies,
Noctis tenebras detegis,
Lucisque lumen crederis,
Lumen beatum prædicans.

Precamur, sancte Domine,
Defende nos in hac nocte;
Sit nobis in Te requies,
Quietam noctem tribue.

Ne gravis somnus irruat,
Nec hostis nos surripiat,
Nec caro illi consentiens
Nos Tibi reos statuat.

Oculi somnum capiant,
Cor ad Te semper vigilet,
Dextera Tua protegat
Famulos qui Te diligunt.

Defensor noster, aspice,
Insidiantes reprime,
Guberna Tuos famulos
Quos sanguine mercatus es.

Memento nostri, Domine,
In gravi isto corpore,
Qui es defensor animæ
Adesto nobis, Domine.

Deo Patri sit gloria
Ejusque soli Filio
Cum Spiritu Paraclito,
Et nunc, et in perpetuum. Amen.
(Brev. Sarum et Ebor.)

℣. Custodi nos, Domine.
℟. Ut pupillam oculi sub umbra alarum Tuarum protege nos.

Antiphona : Veni, Domine, visitare nos in pace :
Ut lætemur coram Te corde perfecto.

℣. Benedicamus Patrem et Filium cum Sancto Spiritu.
℟. Laudemus et superexaltemus Eum in sæcula.
℣. Benedictus es, Domine, in firmamento cœli.
℟. Et laudabilis, et gloriosus, et superexaltatus in sæcula.
℣. Benedicat et custodiat nos Omnipotens et misericors Dominus.
℟. Amen.

OREMUS.

Ecclesiæ Tuæ, Domine, preces placatus admitte: ut destructis adversitatibus et erroribus universis, secura Tibi serviat libertate; et pacem Tuam nostris concede temporibus. Per JESUM CHRISTUM Dominum nostrum, Qui Tecum et cum Spiritu Sancto vivit et regnat, semper unus Deus, in sæcula sæculorum. *Amen.*

℣. Fidelium animæ per Dei misericordiam in pace requiescant. Amen.

POST COMPLETORIUM HAE SEQUANTUR PRECATIONES.

De profundis cordis clamamus ad Te, Domine, ut de profundis peccatorum liberes nos. Quia apud Te solum verum Deum est propitiatio, et reconciliatio nostra. Ne observes itaque iniquitates nostras, qui speramus in misericordia Tua, quique redempti sumus pretioso sanguine Tuo, Domine, Deus noster.

Proba me, Deus, et scito cor meum :
Interroga me, et cognosce semitas meas :
Et vide, si via iniquitatis in me est : [24.)
Et deduc me in via æterna. (Psalm cxxxix. 23,

CONFITERISNE?

1 Non tam bene vixisse Te quam oportuit? imo vixisse te male, sæpeque et graviter peccasse?
2 Estne peccatum aliquod præter vel supra cætera? vel suntne peccata aliqua, quæ gravent conscientiam tuam, ut peculiaris absolutionis beneficio tibi sit opus?

3 Estne scrupulus aliquis circa ea quæ sunt fidei, vel religionis?

4 Recogitasne annos elapsos vitæ tuæ in amaritudine animæ tuæ?

5 Cuperesne majorem pro iis amaritudinem sentire, quam sentis? et gauderesne, si sentires? et doletne, quod majorem non sentis?

6 Petisne illuminari de iis quæ ignoras, vel oblitus es, ut de iis pœnitere possis? et pœnitetne id etiam quod vel ignoras, vel oblitus es?

7 Estne propositum, si vixeris, judicandi te, et vindicandi in te ipsum quod deliquisti?

8 Estne propositum, si vixeris, emendandi vitam, et devitandi tum media, tum signa eorum, quæ hactenus peccasti?

REMITTISNE?

1 Illis, qui te quocumque modo læserint, sicut tibi vis remitti?

2 Petisne a Deo, ut Ipse quoque illis remittat?

3 Tu ipse si quos læsisti, petisne ab iis veniam, ut et tibi remittant.

4 Quum remissio nulla sperari potest peccatorum, nisi fiat restitutio; paratusne es restituere illis rem, quibus in re familiari, et illis famam, quibus in fama detraxisti; idque sine dolo, et dilatione?

CONFESSIO.

O Domine, in multis deliqui, et improbe egi, et tristitia affeci Spiritum Tuum Sanctum. Exacerbavi clementiam Tuam, cogitatione, sermone, opere, noctu et interdiu, palam et in occulto, con-

sulto et inconsulto. O si constituas peccata mea in conspectu meo: O si rationem a me exigas peccatorum in se non ignoscibilium, quæ scienter commisi, quid faciam? quo fugiam? Sed, O Domine, ne in furore Tuo arguas me, nec in ira Tua corripias me. Miserere mei, non solum quia infirmus sum, sed quia figmentum sum Tuum. Obsecro Te, ne intres in judicium cum servo Tuo: si enim iniquitates observaveris, Domine, Domine, quis in judicio consistet? Non ego certe, si quis alius. Non sum dignus in cœlum suspicere præ multitudine peccatorum meorum, quorum non est numerus; probra, injuriæ, etc. . . . . et mille præterea nefandæ passiones sunt, a quibus non destiti. Quibus enim non corruptus sum peccatis? Quibus non sum constrictus malis? Inutilis factus sum Tibi Deo meo, et hominibus. Quis me in talia prolapsum suscitabit? In Te, Domine, confido, qui es Deus meus: esto mihi Salvator secundum viscera compassionis Tuæ, et miserere mei secundum magnam misericordiam Tuam, et ne retribuas mihi secundum opera mea, sed converte Te ad me, me ad Te. Remitte omnia quæ in Te peccavi: serva me propter misericordiam Tuam, et ubi abundavit peccatum, superabundet gratia Tua; et laudabo et glorificabo Te per omnes dies vitæ meæ. Tu enim es Deus pœnitentium, et Salvator peccantium. Tibi gloria, per J. C. D. N. *Amen.* (Archiep. Laud.)

SIVE HÆC.

Benigne Salvator, sinum Tuæ pietatis nobis aperi, ut hæreditatem cœlestem, quam amisimus per culpam, recuperemus per pœnitentiam. Subinde

præsta, ut dignis resipiscentiæ fructibus peccata, quæ fecimus, salubriter abstergamus; utque nomen Tuum tam pie revereamur, ut et Tu clementer respicias orationes nostras, et nos cum grege Tuo tandem ad æternam vitam aspiremus, gratia et misericordia D. N. J. C. *Amen.*

LAUS DEI.

Justitia Tua, Deus, usque in altissima, quæ fecisti magnalia: Deus quis similis Tibi? Multiplicasti magnificentiam Tuam, et conversus consolatus es me. Ergo et ego confitebor Tibi veritatem Tuam, psallam Tibi Deus, Sanctus Israel. Exultabunt labia mea cum cantavero Tibi, et anima mea, quam redemisti. Et lingua mea tota die meditabitur justitiam Tuam; cum confusi et reveriti fuerint qui quærunt mala mihi. Beneficia Tua, Domine, prætende mihi, et gratias meas multiplica Tibi: per J. C. D. N. *Amen.*

ADORATIO DEI.

Quid es, O Deus meus? Quid rogo nisi Dominum, Deus? Quis enim Dominus præter Dominum, aut quis Deus præter Deum nostrum? Summe, Optime, Potentissime, Misericordissime et Justissime, Secretissime et Præsentissime, Pulcherrime et Fortissime, Stabilis et Incomprehensibilis, Immutabilis, Mutans omnia. Nunquam Novus, numquam Vetus, Innovans omnia et in vetustatem perducens superbos, et nesciunt. Semper agens, semper quietus, colligens et non egens. Portans et implens, et protegens, creans et nutriens, et perficiens. Quæris, cum nihil desit Tibi. Amas, nec æstuas. Zelas, et securus es. Pœnitet Te, et non

doles. Irasceris, et tranquillus es. Opera mutas, non consilium. Recipis quod invenis, et numquam amisisti. Numquam inops, et gaudes lucris. Numquam avarus, et usuras exigis. Supererogatur Tibi ut debeás, et quis habet quicquam non Tuum? Reddis debita, nulli debens: donas debita, nihil perdens. Et quid dicimus, Deus meus, vita mea, dulcedo mea sancta? Aut quid dicit aliquis, quum de Te dicit? Et væ tacentibus de Te, quoniam loquaces muti sunt. Miserere mei, Deus, ut loquar de Te, et glorificem nomen Tuum. *Amen.*

(S. Augustinus.)

PRO GRATIA CONTINUA.

Spes mea, Christe Deus, Te deprecor, supplico, et rogo, ut per Te ambulem, ad Te perveniam, in Te requiescam; qui es via, veritas, et vita, sine quo nemo venit ad Patrem. Te enim desidero, dulcissimum et pulcherrimum Dominum. O splendor paternæ gloriæ, qui sedes super cherubim, et intueris abyssos, lumen veridicum, lumen illuminans, lumen indeficiens, in quem desiderant angeli prospicere! ecce cor meum coram Te est, discute tenebras ejus, ut amoris Tui claritate plenius perfundatur. Da mihi, Deus meus Te; redde mihi Te; ut per continuum auxilium Tuum sancte, et pie, et recte vivere valeam; et non avertar, donec in pacem Hierusalem patriæ meæ colligas me totum, atque confirmes in æternum, Deus meus, misericordia mea. *Amen.*

PRO ECCLESIA.

Familiam Tuam, quæsumus, Domine, continua pietate custodi; ut quæ in sola spe gratiæ cœlestis

innititur, Tua semper protectione muniatur: per etc. *Amen.*

ORATIO DOMINI, PRÆMISSA BREVI PRÆFATIONE.

—Quod Via ut sequeremur ostendit, quod Vita ut eloqueremur edocuit, quod Veritas ut teneremus instituit, Tibi, summe Pater, cum tremore cordis audeamus dicere:

Pater noster, qui es in cœlis. ℟. Amen.
Sanctificetur nomen Tuum. ℟. Amen.
Fiat voluntas Tua sicut in cœlo et in terra.
℟. Amen.
Panem nostrum quotidianum da nobis hodie.
℟. Amen.
Et dimitte nobis debita nostra, sicut et nos dimittimus debitoribus nostris. ℟. Amen.
Et ne nos inducas in tentationem.
℟. Sed libera nos a malo.

Liberati a malo, confirmati semper in bono Tibi servire mereamur Deo ac Domino nostro. Pone, Domine, finem (*hic percutiat pectus*) peccatis nostris: da gaudium tribulatis, præbe redemptionem captivis, sanitatem infirmis, requiem defunctis: concede pacem et securitatem in omnibus diebus nostris. Frange audaciam inimicorum nostrorum et exaudi, Deus, orationes servorum Tuorum omnium fidelium Christianorum in hac die et in omni tempore. Per Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum Filium Tuum, qui Tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus per omnia sæcula sæculorum. ℟. Amen.

(Mozarabic.)

GRATIARUM ACTIO.

Domine Deus omnipotens, Pater Domini Dei et Salvatoris nostri JESU CHRISTI, gratias agimus Tibi de omnibus, et propter omnia, et in omnibus, quia protexisti nos, adjuvisti nos, conservasti nos, suscepisti nos ad Te, et misertus es nostri, auxilium dedisti nobis, et ad hanc horam nos perduxisti. *Amen.* (Coptic.)

COMMENDATIO AD DEUM.

Esto, Domine, intra, me, ut me confortes : extra me, ut me custodias ; supra me, ut me protegas ; infra me, ut me sustentes ; ante me, ut me deducas ; pone me, ut me revoces ; circumcirca me, ut me undique communias. *Amen.*

ALIA.

O custos Israel, qui neque dormis neque dormitas unquam, custodi me per noctem hanc ab omni malo, et mecum meos, meaque omnia ; custodi animam meam, O Domine, visitans me visitatione Sanctorum ; custodi dormitionem meam, et resurrectionem meam, ex hoc nunc et usque in sæculum. *Amen.*

Wednesday Evening.

✠ In the Name of the Most Holy Trinity, the FATHER, the SON and the HOLY GHOST. *Amen.*

(Psalms iv., xxxi., xci., cxxxiv., as on Monday.)

(The Antiphons, Chapter, Versicles, etc., as on Monday.)

THE HYMN.

ALL praise to Thee, in light arrayed,
Who light Thy dwelling-place hast made:
A boundless ocean of bright beams
From Thee, all-glorious Godhead, streams.

The sun in its meridian height
Is very darkness in thy sight:
My soul, oh, lighten and inflame
With thought and love of Thy great Name!

Shine on me, LORD; new life impart;
Fresh ardours kindle in my heart;
One ray of Thy all-quickening light
Dispels the sloth and clouds of night.

Oh, may I always ready stand
With my lamp burning in my hand;
May I in sight of heaven rejoice,
Whene'er I hear the Bridegroom's voice.
(Bp. Ken.)

"Let us bless the FATHER," etc.
"O LORD, we beseech Thee," etc.
"May the souls of the Faithful," etc.

End of Compline.

Continue as on Monday Evening as far as the Intercession, then say,

Unto Thee lift I up mine eyes,
O Thou that dwellest in the heavens.
O LORD, arise and help us,
And deliver us for Thy mercy's sake.

Have mercy, O GOD, on the whole race of mankind, on all the members of Thy Holy Catholic Church, and on all who in every place call on the Name of JESUS CHRIST our LORD, both theirs and ours. Remember my own country, this place and neighbourhood, this diocese, our Bishop and all the Clergy, my relations . . . . friends, ... benefactors, ... and acquaintances, especially . . . . and all for whom I am in any wise bound to pray. Bless the Queen, and all our temporal rulers, and all this people. Confirm in grace the devout; enlighten the ignorant; bring back those who are in error; watch over the young; support the weak; reclaim the wicked; restore the penitent; remember all who are in pain or sickness . . . . relieve the poor; comfort the sorrowful; succour the dying. And may they, with all Thy faithful departed, enjoy through Thy mercy perpetual rest and light: through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

PRAYER OF A SON.

— Almighty GOD, Who hast strictly commanded us to honour our father and our mother: Grant me, of Thy goodness and grace, so to fear and to obey them; to help and to pray for them, as Thou in

Thy Holy Word hast directed and charged me to do: that both in their life and in their death their souls may bless me, and by Thy mercy I may obtain that blessing which Thou hast promised; that Thou, my loving Heavenly FATHER, mayest number me amongst those Thy children who are heirs of Thy glorious kingdom, through Thy well-beloved and dear Son JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

(Bp. Cosin.)

"O Eternal FATHER, I beseech Thee," etc.
"Visit, I beseech Thee, O LORD," etc.
Our FATHER, etc.

BLESSING.

Feria v. (Vespere).

✠ In Nomine SS. Trinitatis, Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti. *Amen.*

(*Sequitur Completorium sicut in Feria III.*)

HYMNUS.

Salvator mundi, Domine,
Qui nos salvasti hodie:
In hac nocte nos protege,
Et salva omni tempore.

Adesto nunc propitius,
Et parce supplicantibus:
Tu dele nostra crimina,
Tu tenebras illumina.

Ne mentem somnus opprimat,
Nec hostis nos surripiat:
Nec ullis caro, petimus,
Commaculetur sordibus.

Tu, reformator sensuum,
Votis precamur cordium,
Ut puri castis mentibus
Surgamus a cubilibus. Amen.
(Brev. Sarum.)

(*Perge sicut in Feria III.*)

Post Completorium

Hæ sequantur precationes.

Liberator animarum, mundi Redemptor, JESU CHRISTE, Deus æterne, Rex immortalis, supplico ego peccator immensam clementiam Tuam, ut per magnam misericordiam Tuam liberes animam meam de peccato. Averte cor meum ab omnibus malis, pravis et perfidis cogitationibus; libera corpus meum de servitute peccati, repelle a me concupiscentiam carnalem; eripe me de omni impedimento Satanæ et inimicorum quærentium animam meam. Custodi me ab his et ab omnibus malis, Salvator mundi, qui cum Deo Patre et Spiritu Sancto vivis et regnas ac dominaris Deus per infinita sæcula sæculorum. *Amen.* (Beda.)

CONFESSIO.

Non intres in judicium cum servo Tuo, Domine: quia non justificabitur in conspectu Tuo omnis vivens. (Ps. cxliii. 2.)

Fili Dei, Vere Deus, qui de gremio Patris descendisti, et incarnatus es ex Maria Virgine propter nostram redemptionem : qui crucifixus es, et sepultus, et resurrexisti a mortuis, et ascendisti ad Patrem propter nos : peccavi in cœlum et coram Te . . . . Tanquam latro resipiscens obsecro Te, memento mei, cum veneris in regnum Tuum, et miserere mihi misero peccatori. *Amen.*

ORATIO.

Omne pondus, et circumstans me peccatum, omnem immunditiam et superfluitatem nequitiæ, concupiscentiam carnis, oculorum, superbiam vitæ, omnem sive carnis seu spiritus motum, voluntati Tuæ sanctæ discrepantem, deponenti, pauperem esse spiritu, ut contingat mihi pars in regno cœlorum ; lugere ut consoler, mitem esse ut terram possideam ; esurire et sitire justitiam ut saturer ; misericordem esse ut misericordiam consequar ; mundo esse corde ut videam Deum ; pacificum esse ut filius Dei vocer ; paratum esse ad patiendum persecutiones et maledicta propter justitiam, ut mihi merces sit in cœlis : Da mihi, Domine.

CONTRA IRAM.

Domine JESU CHRISTE, qui dixeras unumquemque irascentem fratri suo reum esse judicii, quique secreto Tuo justoque judicio omnem vindictam ultionemque assidue reservas : per immensam misericordiam Tuam largire nobis, ut nulla ratione in aliquam intemperiem ira et cupiditate ulciscendi dilabamur, sed perpetuo, non solum divinum præceptum Tuum, quod præcipit, ut beneficiamus iis qui oderunt nos, et rogemus pro iis, qui

male de nobis loquuntur, memoria teneamus, sed etiam sancti exempli Tui recordemur, Qui pro crudeliter cruci affigentibus Te precabaris. Tibi cum Patre et Spiritu Sancto, sit sempiterna gloria. *Amen.*

PRO GRATIA AD INQUIRENDUM CŒLESTIA.

O supernæ civitatis mansio beatissima, O dies æternitatis clarissima, quam nox non obscurat, sed summa Veritas semper irradiat. Dies semper læta, semper secura, et numquam statum mutans in contraria. O utinam dies illa illuxisset, et cuncta hæc temporalia finem accepissent. Lucet quidem sanctis perpetua claritate splendida, sed non nisi a longe per speculum peregrinantibus in terra. Norunt cœli cives quam gaudiosa sit illa: gemunt exsules filii Evæ quam tædiosa et amare sit ista. Dies hujus temporis parvi et mali, pleni doloribus et angustiis: ubi homo multis peccatis inquinatur, multis passionibus irretitur, multis timoribus stringitur, multis curis distenditur, et multis curiositatibus distrahitur, multis vanitatibus implicatur, multis erroribus circumfunditur, multis laboribus atteritur, tentationibus gravatur, deliciis enervatur, egestate cruciatur. O quando finis horum multorum laborum! Quando liberabor a misera servitute vitiorum? Quando memorabor Tui, Domine, solius? Quando ad plenum lætabor in Te? Quando ero sine omni impedimento, et in vera libertate sine omni gravamine mentis et corporis? Quando erit pax solida, pax imperturbabilis et secura, pax intus et foris, pax ex omni parte firma? JESU bone, quando stabo ad videndum Te? Quando contemplabor gloriam

regni Tui? Quando eris omnia in omnibus? O quando ero Tecum in regno Tuo, quod præparasti electis Tuis ab æterno? Relictus sum pauper et exsul in terra hostili, ubi bella quotidiana et infortunia maxima. Consolare exsilium meum, mitiga dolorem meum, quia ad Te suspirat omne desiderium meum. Nam onus mihi totum est, quidquid mundus hic offert ad solatium. Desidero Te intime frui, sed nequeo apprehendere. Opto inhærere cœlestibus, sed deprimunt res temporales et immortificatæ passiones. Mente omnibus rebus superesse volo, carni autem invitè subesse cogor. Sic ego infelix homo mecum pugno, et factus sum mihimet ipsi gravis, dum spiritus sursum et caro quærit esse deorsum. O quid intus patior, dum mente cœlestia tracto et mox carnalium turba occurrit oranti. Deus meus, ne elongeris a me, neque declines in ira a servo Tuo. Fulgura coruscationem Tuam et dissipa eas, emitte sagittas Tuas et conturbentur omnes phantasiæ inimici. Recollige sensus meos ad Te. Fac me oblivisci omnium mundanorum. Da cito abjicere et contemnere phantasmata vitiorum. Succurre mihi, Æterna Veritas, ut nulla me moveat vanitas. Adveni cœlestis suavitas et fugiat a facie Tua omnis Impuritas. (S. Thom. a Kemp., III., 48.)

PRO BENEFACTORIBUS.

Misericors Pater, pro beneficiis quæ mihi largiti sunt in terris benefactores mei, præmia æterna consequantur in cœlis. Oro etiam, ut cum his pro quibus oravi, aut pro quibus orare teneor, et cum omni populo Dei, introduci mihi detur in Regnum

Tuum, et ibi apparere in justitia et satiari gloria: per J. C. D. N. *Amen.*

INTERCESSIO.

O spes omnium finium terræ: Memento omnis creaturæ Tuæ in bonum, et visita mundum in misericordiâ Tuâ.

O qui in hoc mortuus es et resurrexisti, ut et mortuorum et vivorum domineris: sive vivimus, sen morimur, Tu noster Dominus: viventium et mortuorum miserere, O Domine.

O Auxiliator eorum qui sine auxilio sunt, Adjutor in tempore opportuno, in afflictione: Recordare omnium in extrema necessitate, Tuoque auxilio indigentium: enutri esurientes: ægrotantibus medere; captivos libera; orphanis et viduis patrocinare; senectutem sustenta; pusillanimos consolare; dispersos congrega; errantes ad Te reduc.

O qui jussisti Apostolos Tuos ut irent in mundum universum, et prædicarent Evangelium omni creaturæ: ab ortu solis usque ad occasum magnum sit nomen Tuum in Gentibus.

O qui Congregationem Tuam acquisivisti et redemisti ab initio: memor esto Sanctæ Tuæ Ecclesiæ quæ est a finibus usque ad fines orbis terrarum, et pacifica eam, et eam stabili usque ad consummationem sæculi.

O qui ambulas in medio candelabrorum aureorum: ne amoveas Candelabrum hoc nostrum e loco ipsius: corrige quæ desunt: confirma cetera, quæ moritura erant.

O qui super muros Jerusalem constituisti custodes qui tota die et tota nocte in perpetuum non tacebunt:

concede Clero Tuo, ut recte dividant verbum veritatis, et ut recto pede incedant in ea: et gratiam dona, ut sine intermissione pro populo Tuo orent.

O qui pollicitus es benefacientes in generatione sua minime perdituros mercedem: memor esto omnium fructus bonorum operum facientium in Sancta Tua Ecclesia, et eorum qui in memoria habent pauperes et indigentes: divitia et cælestia Tua dona iis repende; pro terrenis cœli benedictiones concede, pro corruptibilibus immarcescibilia, pro temporalibus in æternum manentia. *Amen.* (Lanc. Andrewes, Ep., Winton.)

OREMUS.

Domine JESU CHRISTE, Redemptor mundi, Æternum Patris Verbum, per quem omnia creata sunt et conservantur, oramus Te ut sub umbra misericordiæ Tuæ nos per hanc noctem accipias, nec sinas nos cadere, neque Satanæ terroribus consternari. Effice ut lumen in tenebris videamus, qui es lux æterna, et cum Cœlesti Patre et Sancto Spiritu vivis et regnas Deus per omnia sæcula sæculorum.

Benedicamus Domino.

Deo Gratias. Pater Noster, etc.

Gratia Domini nostri JESU CHRISTI, Charitas Dei, Communicatio Sancti Spiritus sit semper cum omnibus. *Amen.*

Friday Evening.

✠ In the Name of the Most Holy TRINITY, the FATHER, the SON, and the HOLY GHOST. *Amen.*

I.

(*Psalms iv., xxxi., xci., cxxxiv., as on Monday.*)

(*The Antiphons, Chapter, Versicles, etc., as on Monday.*)

THE HYMN.

ALONE, with none but Thee, my GOD,
I journey on the way;
What need I fear, when Thou art near,
O King of night and day?
More safe am I within Thy hand,
Than if a host did by me stand.

My destined time is fixed by Thee,
And Death doth know his hour;
Did warriors strong around me throng,
They could not stay His power;
No walls of stone can man defend
When Thou Thy messenger shalt send.

My life I yield to Thy decree,
And bow to Thy control,
In peaceful calm, for from Thine arm
No power can wrest my soul;
Could earthly omens e'er appal
A heart that heeds the heavenly call?

The child of GOD can fear no ill,
His chosen dread no foe,
We leave our fate with Thee, and wait
Thy bidding where we go;
'Tis not from chance our comfort springs;
Thou art our Trust, O King of kings!
(S. Columba's Hymn of Trust.)

Continue as on Monday to

End of Compline.

Out of the deep have I called unto Thee, O LORD: LORD, hear my voice. (Psalm cxxx. 1.)

CONFESSION.

O LORD JESU CHRIST, Word of the FATHER, Who didst come into the world to save sinners: I beseech Thee of Thy most tender loving-kindness to cleanse my life, to amend my ways, to govern my habits: take from me whatever is hurtful to me and displeasing in Thy sight, and give me whatever is well-pleasing before Thee, and profitable for me. For who, but Thou only, can renew him that is conceived and born in sin? Thou art the Almighty and most merciful GOD, Who justifiest the sinful, and givest life to such as are dead in sin: take from me whatsoever in me displeases Thee . . . . for Thine eyes behold all my faults: stretch forth Thy holy hand, and take from me all that offends Thy holiness.

Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be whole: save me, and I shall be safe: for Thou healest the sick and preservest the healthy: by the word of Thy power Thou restorest and buildest up those that are broken down. If Thou vouchsafest to sow the good seed in my heart, which is Thy field, it cannot bear fruit unless Thy pitiful hand have first torn up the thorns and briars of my sins. O most merciful JESU, pour, I pray Thee, into my heart the abundance of Thy love, that I may love Thee above all, and ever keep Thee in my heart, and praise Thee with my lips. Write in my mind the sweet memory

of Thy Name, never to be forgotten: write in the tablets of my heart Thy will, and Thy commandments, that I may ever keep Thee, my Master, before mine eyes, and offer to Thee daily the sacrifice of a faithful obedience.

O kind and loving SAVIOUR, give me that which I long for, that which I seek with all my heart: give me a true and holy love for Thee, that it may fill me and hold me, and possess me for ever. O merciful LORD JESU, let not my sins hide Thy face from me: but of Thy great goodness receive the prayers of Thy servant, and fulfil them in the heavenly land. *Amen.* (S. Anselm.)

FOR ABSOLUTION.

O GOD, the SON of GOD, Who didst deign to take upon Thee our nature, and to suffer death upon the Cross for us: by the mystery of Thy passion set me free, I pray Thee, from death eternal; through Thy mercy, O blessed LORD GOD, Who dost live and govern all things, world without end. *Amen.* (Mozarabic.)

FOR ENTIRE RESIGNATION.

O LORD JESU, give me what Thou commandest; command me what Thou willest. Prepare my soul for Thy coming; come when it seemeth to Thee good. Give me a penitent and a patient spirit to expect Thee, and come as Thou wilt, O Thou Who art the Salvation of all them that trust in Thee. Set, I beseech Thee, O LORD JESU, Thy death, Thy cross and passion, Thy merits and Thy blood, between Thy judgment and my soul, now

and ever, but especially in the hour of my death. Let not my death be sudden; let it not come and find me unprepared; let it not be so dreadful, but that I shall keep my faith, hope and charity, my memory, and the soundness of my mind even to the last. Be Thou my GOD and Protector. Grant to my sins mercy and pardon, to Thy Church peace and concord, to me, the chief of sinners, grace in this life, and glory hereafter. Even so, come, LORD JESU, and have mercy upon me. *Amen.*

(Abp. Laud.)

INTERCESSION.

Have mercy, O LORD GOD, upon Thy Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, which Thou hast purchased to Thyself, and which awaits in hope the coming of Thy Kingdom. Join together, I beseech Thee, all her members in love and concord, and in faith in Thee. Grant to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons rightly to divide the Word of Truth, and to feed in holiness Thy flock committed to them. Bless all Kings and Rulers who believe in Thy Name, with their subjects. Have mercy upon all who are in any danger. Save us from war, famine, and pestilence. Remember the poor, the widow, and the orphan, the sick, the afflicted, and the dying; and reward with Thy blessing all who minister to their necessities. Give peace to our land, that we may serve Thee in all godly quietness. Bless the years with Thy goodness, giving rain and dew and temperate seasons, and making them fertile with all abundance of the fruits of the earth, for Thou art merciful and compassionate, and from Thee all good things do come: wherefore to Thee

I give all thanks and praise, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

(Syriac Lit. of St. Chrysostom.)

THANKSGIVING.

O LORD, Who didst not despise nor forsake man when he transgressed Thy commandment and fell, but as a tender Father didst visit him in sundry ways, giving him that Thy great and precious promise concerning the blessed quickening Seed, and opening to him a door of faith and repentance unto life: Who in the fulness of time didst send the same, Thy CHRIST, to take on Him the seed of Abraham, and by the oblation of His life to fulfil the obedience of the law, and by the sacrifice of His death to take away the curse of it; by His death to redeem the world, and by His resurrection to quicken the same: Who didst all things to this end, to bring back man to Thee, that he might be partaker of the divine nature and of eternal glory: Blessed, praised, exalted, glorified, and hallowed be Thy Name, the mention and the memory and all the monuments thereof, both now and for ever. Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our GOD, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

(Bp. Andrewes.)

FOR THE CHURCH.

O singular Lover of us, CHRIST JESU, O Bridegroom, to Whom Thy Church is most dear, and Who hast promised that Thou wilt never fail her, increase her and multiply her with good issue. Make us to be all of one mind both in Thee, and in

the things that concern Thee, so as we may verily be that body whereof Thou art the Head, being knit together with mutual charity, kindled with that eternal fire of Thine, which hast so loved us, that Thou hast spent Thy blood and Thy life for us. O CHRIST, the author and persuader of peace, love, and good-will, soften our hard and steely hearts, warm our icy and frozen hearts, that we may wish well one to another, so as all men may perceive us to be Thy true disciples. And give us grace even now to begin to shew forth that heavenly life, wherein there is no disagreement nor hatred, but peace and love on all hands, one towards another. *Amen.* (Ludovicus Vives.)

Our FATHER, etc.

BENEDICTION.

Finally, to every one of us, Thy poor sheep, let Thy mighty hand and outstretched arm, O LORD GOD, Father of heaven, be still our defence: Thy mercy and loving-kindness in JESUS CHRIST, Thy beloved Son, our Salvation: Thy true and holy Word, our instruction: Thy grace and Holy Spirit, our comfort and consolation, unto the end and in the end. *Amen.*

Sabbato (Vespere).

✠ In Nomine SS. Trinitatis, Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti. *Amen.*

(Sequitur Completorium sicut in Feria III.)

Hymnus.

Jesu, nostra redemptio,
Amor et desiderium,
Deus Creator omnium,
Homo in fine temporum :

Quæ Te vicit clementia,
Ut ferres nostra crimina
Crudelem mortem patiens
Ut nos a morte tolleres !

Inferni claustra penetrans,
Tuos captivos redimens,
Victor triumpho nobili,
Ad dextram Patris residens.

Ipsa Te cogat Pietas,
Ut mala nostra superes
Parcendo, et voti compotes
Nos Tuo vultu saties.

Tu esto nostrum gaudium
Qui es futurus præmium ;
Sit nostra in Te gloria
Per cuncta semper saecula.

Gloria Tibi, Domine,
Qui scandis supra sidera,
Cum Patre et Sancto Spiritu
In sempiterna sæcula. Amen.
(Brev. Sarum.)

(Perge sicut in Feria III.)

Post Completorium

Hæ sequantur precationes.

Vias Tuas, Domine, demonstra mihi, et semitas Tuas edoce me. Dirige me in veritate Tua, et doce me, quoniam Tu es Deus, Servator meus. *Amen.*

CONFESSIO.

Domine JESU CHRISTE, qui solus es medicus ægrotarum animarum, et curator sauciæ conscientiæ, et qui in terram venisti non ad vocandum justos, sed peccatores, ut per pœnitentiam tum novitatem tum renascentiam acquirerent: Ego, miser peccator, in conspectum Tuum hodie prodeo, fretus indicibili bonitate Tua et amore erga nos homines. O cœleste propitiatorium, in oculos Tuos expono cor meum peccatis infectum, malitiosum, plenum vitiis, plenum incredulitate, amore sui, inobedientia, rebellione contra optimam Tuam voluntatem; plenum contemptu spiritualium et cœlestium bonorum omnium, allubentia ac studio hujus mundi, comprobatione morum, consuetudinum, consiliorum, factorum illius, quamvis in oculis Tuis iniqua esse norimus; plenum anxia çura de præsenti vita, de hoc tempore, de carne mortali, de donis Tuis, quæ utenda pro divitiis bonitatis Tuæ concedis; quibus adeo absorptus addictusque sum, ut ad Te et ad res Tibi gratas animum frigidius atque ægre adhibeam. Quin illorum respectu facile spiritualium bonorum et donorum oblivionem capio, adeo ut esse in me

lucem putem, quod est cæcitas; esse scientiam, quod error; esse spiritum, quod est opinio; et divinam æternamque veritatem esse, quod est cordis mei idololatria. Frigidus sum absque Spiritu Sancto, absque interiore pace, absque gaudio, justitia, sapientia divina, absque vera humilitate, omni timore, et terroribus conscientiæ de Tuo venturo judicio et sententia, qui Judex es vivorum et mortuorum. Memetipsum meumque honorem quaesivi: gloriam Tuam ex magna parte contempsi, ingratissimus de eximiis beneficiis in me collatis abundánter. Cor meum nimis est vacuum charitate, misericordia, commiseratione erga proximum opis meæ indigum.

Fateor quoque me culpabilem in variis concupiscentiis malorum, in cogitationibus pravis infinitis et illarum assensionibus, atque in amarulento isto fastidio ad ea, quæ bona grataque Tibi sunt. Agnosco me culpabilem ex omnibus fructibus malitiosi cordis mei, quicunque interioris veneni succo prodire solent, etsi nondum in opus in me eruperint. Sic nos, in hac dispensatione agens, testatus es: Ex internis, hoc est, ex cordis latebris proficiscuntur cogitationes malæ, adulteria, scortationes, parricidia, furta, avaritia, mendacia, doli, intemperantiæ, invidus oculus, jurgia, contumeliæ, superbia, et alia infinita stultitia, qua nos homines inquinamur.

Non possum vere negare me non expertem esse injustitiæ, malevolentiæ, iracundiae, arrogantiæ, turpitudinis, acediæ etiam adversus illos qui me nimime offenderint. Sed et facile irritabilis, detractor, curam ventris agens, et ejusdem servus fui assiduus ad illius voluptates assequendas, flagelli paterni impatiens, sordide parcus, excusator

scelerum; in obsequendo Tibi Deo, et in observando proximo, vehementer tardus ac negligens.

Eheu Domine JESU CHRISTE, hanc universam arborem putrem Tibi exhibeo, cum suis radicibus, trunco, ramis, surculis, et fructibus; hoc est, cor meum impeditum per interiores cogitationes, per concupiscentias variegatum, per externos sermones et opera defædatum. Quare pro tenuitate mea precor, ut cor meum lapideum misericordia Tua circumcidas, pro vetere novum hominem mihi induas, novo spiritu dones, rore cœlestis gratiæ et aquis spiritualibus irriges, ut interioris veneni succus ex carne hac exsiccetur, et cursus veteris hominis intercipiatur, ne cor meum spinas et tribulos igni inextinguibili comburendos perpetuo ferat, sed potius ferat fructus spirituales, in justitia et sanctitate, ad vitam æternam.

Memor esto, Domine Jesu, Te in carne absque peccato agentem peccatum omnis carnis delevisse. Asperge me sanguine Tuo pretioso, quem pro peccatis nostris largiter effudisti, ne nobis imputarentur. Aspice amorem Tuum infinitum, ex quo pro nobis peccatum factus es, ut in Te justitia Dei fieremus, in veritate sanctificati et in Nomine tuo servati.

Domine, renova me per Spiritum Sanctum, ut per dona, virtutem, et opem Illius reddar idoneus ad præstandum beneplacitum Tuum, ut paratus sim ad omnia bona opera, et ut ad laudem Tuam sine intermissione in illis ambulem, ut posthac in veris, legitimis, honestis rebus, quæ deceant, et quæ in oculis Tuis proba sint, finaliter deprehendar, ad præconium eximiæ bonitatis et beneficentiæ Tuæ. Tu unicus Filius Dei es, Domine JESU CHRISTE, qui cum Deo Patre cœlesti in unitate Spiritus

Sancti vivis et regnas verus Deus in omnem æternitatem. *Amen.*

GRATIARUM ACTIO.

Ego, indignus famulus Tuus, Domine Deus Omnipotens, Tuis benefactis infinitis ad prædicandam bonitatem Tuam invitor: ad quam rem nunquam non accinctus esse debeo, quia beneficia perpetuo accipiens pro illis habere gratias perpetuas, celebrareque nomen Tuum indesinenter, decet. Verum hodie, quia ad extremum hebdomadis perduxisti, profiteri cupio, Te mihi indigno per meram misericordiam, divitemque Tuam bonitatem, bona Tua tam largiter impertiri, ut me accipere et gratias agere, quam Te dare et ad dandum provocari citius pigeat, adeoque obrutus mole beneficiorum, oblivionem illorum cepisse profiteor. Ergo, Domine Deus Omnipotens, Tuam largitatem et in nos benefacta quæ accepimus, cum ignoremus, Tibi qui nosti omnia et illorum numerum, modum, et vim perspectam habes, me meaque omnia libere permitto, et agnosco, tam ex bonitate Tua me esse, quam ceteris hujus vitæ commodis, ad futuram consequendam adjumentis, ex Tuo unius dono perfrui. Pro cumulo tantæ benignitatis in me exhibitæ quantum possum habeo gratias, Te veneror, Te glorifico; illud supplex oráns, ut capienda quæ supersunt munera Tua, cor meum quotidie appares, me capacem et illis dignum reddas, gratum de acceptis solideque fidentem animum largiaris, quo beneficiorum Tuorum jugem teneam memoriam absque interpolatione oblivionis. Per Jesum Christum Dominum nostrum in Spiritu

Sancto, ad æternam gloriam Tuæ majestatis in ævum. *Amen.*

INTERCESSIO.

O Deus Excelse, qui dominaris super regnum hominum, et cuicumque volueris, das illud: Memento priorum et fidelium regum, et in primis memento famulæ Tuæ Reginæ nostræ: corrobora imperium ejus in pace, ut in ipsius tranquillitate tranquillam et quietam vitam degamus cum omni pietate et castimonia.

O Domine qui desideratus es cunctis Gentibus, Sustentatio Insularum et earum Spes: Libera Insulam hanc, et totam regionem in qua habitamus ab omni afflictione, periculo, et extrema necessitate: promptuaria nostra plena sint omni bono; neque sit ruina maceriæ, nec transitus, nec clamor in plateis nostris.

Qui domesticorum curam non habentem infideli deteriorem notasti: Memor esto in beneplacito Tuo omnium in familia mea. Pax domui meæ! Filius pacis cum omnibus in ea.

O bone Domine, et comfortans in die tribulationis, et sciens sperantes in Te: nobis exitus vitæ Christianos, Tibi acceptos et (si videbitur) doloris expertes, in pace dirige, Domine, colligens nos sub pedes electorum Tuorum, cum vis, et quomodo vis, duntaxat sine pudore et peccatis. *Amen.*

LAUS DEI.

Benedictus Deus et Pater Domini nostri JESU CHRISTI, qui misit angelos suos et custodivit me hodie ab incursu et dæmonio meridiano, atque a sagitta volante in die: et Spiriti Suo donavit quo

refrenet a peccatis istis, quibus meæ infirmitates et consuetudines malæ et inimici turbulenti facillime traditurі sunt. Benedictum sit et in æternum sanctificetur Nomen Tuum ob istum imbrem assiduum beneficiorum per quæ vivo, et contentus sum, et felix, et in omnibus necessitatibus instructus, et apparatus ad officia exsequenda, et iter ad patriam cœlestem pergendum. Sedenti in throno, et Agno, benedictio, et honor, et gloria, et potestas, in sæcula sæculorum. *Amen.*

PATER NOSTER, ETC.

Sanctus est Deus noster, sanctus est Omnipotens, sanctus est Immortalis Deus. Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth, miserere mei. *Amen.*

Deus Pater, benedic mihi: Deus Filius protege me: Deus Sanctus Spiritus sustine me, nunc et semper. *Amen.*

Suggestions for a Mid-day Office—12.30-1 p.m.

1. Read a passage from one of the Fathers, *e.g.*,

S. Athanasius, De Incarnatione.
S. Leo, Sermons (Bright).
S. Anselm, Cur Deus Homo.
S. Basil, De Spiritu Sancto.
S. Cyril, Cat. xxii.-xxiii.
S. Augustine, Enchiridion and De Doctrina Christiana.

S. Bernard, De Consideratione.
S. Chrysostom, De Sacerdotio.
S. Cyprian, De Bono Patientiæ.

2. Use prayers from any Manual found helpful, giving each day its suitable bedes, and so making constant memorial before GOD of the needs of His people. Litanies are appropriate on Wednesdays and Fridays.

3. End with the Eucharistic Prayers for the day in Avancini.

Suggestion for Intercession (if there be time after Mattins)—8.45-9 a.m.

Use in order the forms provided in Bishop Gott's "Parish Priest of the Town" (S.P.C.K.), remembering in particular one part, hamlet, or township, of the Parish, each day. On Saturdays, add special prayers for Foreign Missions, Seamen, the Jews, etc.

On Saints' Days and Holy Days, if there be no celebration of the Eucharist, use an Office of Spiritual Communion, such as that contained in "In the King's Presence" (Rev. W. Bellars).

Suggestions for Morning Study—7.30-8 a.m.

Read the 1st Lesson for the day from the Hebrew, the LXX., or the Vulgate; or the 2nd Lesson from the Peshitta, or the Greek Testament.

10-11 a.m.

Write in notebook one or more answers to Oxford and Cambridge Examination Questions as

yearly set in the Theological Papers, and published at the Clarendon and Pitt Press respectively.

N.B.—The *Church Quarterly Review* gives good material for analysis and criticism of current literature.

Suggestions for Sunday—5.30-6 p.m.

1. Intercede for non-worshippers, godless, and profane.

2. Invoke aid and blessing for Home Missions in the great towns and seaports, according to a list of your own.

3. Remember the Church-workers and officials.

4. Use Home Reunion Office for the Unity of the whole Church (No. 4).

5. Commend the flock and yourself to GOD.

Suggestion for the Ember Seasons.

On one of the Ember days make use of the following abridged and adapted form of the Ordination Service, with special mention of those ordained with you and others known to you.

✠ In the Name of the Most Holy Trinity, the FATHER, the SON, and the HOLY GHOST. *Amen.*

LORD, have mercy upon me.
CHRIST, have mercy upon me.
LORD, have mercy upon me.

Our FATHER, etc.

Almighty GOD, Giver of all good things, Who by Thy Holy Spirit hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in the Church: Mercifully behold Thy

servants who have been called, and those who shall at this time be called to the Office of Priesthood; and replenish them so with the truth of Thy doctrine, and adorn them with innocency of life, that both by word and good example they may faithfully serve Thee in this Office, to the glory of Thy Name, and the edification of Thy Church: through the merits of our SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the HOLY GHOST, world without end. *Amen.*

THE WORDS OF THE HOLY GOSPEL.

Glory be to Thee, O God.

1 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the fold of the sheep, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.
2 But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.
3 To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out.
4 When he hath put forth all his own, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice.
5 And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers.
6 This parable spake JESUS unto them: but they understood not what things they were which He spake unto them.
7 JESUS therefore said unto them again, Verily verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep.
8 All that came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them.

9 I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and go out, and shall find pasture.

10 The thief cometh not, but that he may steal, and kill, and destroy: I came that they may have life, and may have *it* abundantly.

11 I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd layeth down his life for the sheep.

12 He that is a hireling, and not a shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, beholdeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth, and the wolf snatcheth them, and scattereth them.

13 He fleeth, because he is a hireling, and careth not for the sheep.

14 I am the good shepherd; and I know mine own, and mine own know me, even as the FATHER knoweth me, and I know the FATHER; and I lay down my life for the sheep.

15 And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and they shall become one flock, one shepherd.

Then, after a pause,

Hereby know we love, because He laid down His life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the Brethren. (1 St. John iii. 16.)

Jesus said, I have given you an example, that ye also should do as I have done to you. (St. John xiii. 15.)

Let me call to mind the words of exhortation addressed to me by the Bishop when ordained to

the Office and Work of the Priesthood in the Church of GOD.

"You have heard, Brethren, as well in your private examination, as in the exhortation which was now made to you, and in the holy Lessons, taken out of the Gospel, and the writings of the Apostles, of what dignity, and of how great importance this Office is, whereunto ye are called. And now again we exhort you, in the Name of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, that you have in remembrance, into how high a Dignity, and to how weighty an Office and Charge ye are called: that is to say, to be Messengers, Watchmen, and Stewards of the LORD; to teach, and to premonish, to feed and provide for the LORD'S family; to seek for CHRIST'S sheep that are dispersed abroad, and for His children who are in the midst of this naughty world, that they may be saved through CHRIST for ever.

"Have always therefore printed in your remembrance, how great a treasure is committed to your charge. For they are the sheep of CHRIST, which He bought with His death, and for whom He shed His blood. The Church and Congregation whom you must serve, is His Spouse, and His Body. And if it shall happen the same Church, or any Member thereof, to take any hurt or hindrance by reason of your negligence, ye know the greatness of the fault, and also the horrible punishment that will ensue. Wherefore consider with yourselves the end of your Ministry towards the children of GOD, towards the Spouse and Body of CHRIST; and see that you never cease your labour, your care and diligence, until you have done all that lieth in you, according to your bounden duty, to bring all such as are or shall be committed to your charge,

unto that agreement in the faith and knowledge of GOD, and to that ripeness and perfectness of age in CHRIST, that there be no place left among you, either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life.

"Forasmuch then as your Office is both of so great excellency, and so great difficulty, ye see with how great care and study ye ought to apply yourselves, as well that ye may shew yourselves dutiful and thankful unto that LORD, who hath placed you in so high a Dignity; as also to beware, that neither you yourselves offend, nor be occasion that others offend. Howbeit, ye cannot have a mind and will thereto of yourselves; for that will and ability is given of GOD alone: therefore ye ought, and have need, to pray earnestly for His Holy Spirit. And seeing that you cannot by any other means compass the doing of so weighty a work, pertaining to the salvation of man, but with doctrine and exhortation taken out of the Holy Scriptures, and with a life agreeable to the same; consider how studious ye ought to be in reading and learning the Scriptures, and in framing the manners both of yourselves, and of them that specially pertain unto you, according to the rule of the same Scriptures: and for this self-same cause, how ye ought to forsake and set aside (as much as you may) all worldly cares and studies.

"We have good hope that you have well weighed and pondered these things with yourselves long before this time; and that you have clearly determined, by GOD'S grace to give yourselves wholly to this Office, whereunto it hath pleased GOD to call you: so that, as much as lieth in you, you will apply yourselves wholly to this one thing, and draw

all your cares and studies this way; and that you will continually pray to GOD the FATHER, by the Mediation of our only SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST, for the heavenly assistance of the HOLY GHOST; that, by daily reading and weighing of the Scriptures, ye may wax riper and stronger in your Ministry; and that ye may so endeavour yourselves, from time to time, to sanctify the life of you and yours, and to fashion them after the Rule and Doctrine of CHRIST, that ye may be wholesome and godly examples and patterns for the people to follow."

The Call.

O my soul consider this: I did solemnly declare on my Ordination day that I thought in my heart I was truly called, according to the will of our LORD JESUS CHRIST and the Order of this Church of England, to the Order and Ministry of Priesthood.

℟. No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the Kingdom of GOD. (S. Luke ix. 62.)

The Rule of Faith and Practice.

Again: I did solemnly declare before GOD on my Ordination day that I was persuaded that the Holy Scriptures contain sufficiently all Doctrine required of necessity for eternal salvation through faith in JESUS CHRIST, and that I was determined, out of the said Scriptures to instruct the people committed to my charge, and to teach nothing as required of necessity to eternal salvation, but that which I should be persuaded may be concluded and proved by the Scripture.

℟. LORD, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this vow.

℣. If any man speaketh, let him speak as it were oracles of GOD.

℟. That in all things GOD may be glorified through JESUS CHRIST, Whose is the glory and the dominion for ever and ever.

℣. Deliver us from blood guiltiness, O GOD, Thou GOD of our salvation : and our tongues shall sing aloud of Thy righteousness.

℟. Make us pure from the blood of all men, by shrinking not to declare unto them the whole counsel of GOD.

Again : I did vow by the help of the LORD to give faithful diligence always so to minister the Doctrine and Sacraments, and the Discipline of CHRIST, as the LORD hath commanded, and as this Church and Realm hath received the same, according to the Commandments of GOD : so that I might teach the people committed to my Cure and charge with all diligence to keep and observe the same.

℟. LORD, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this vow.

℣. It is required in stewards that a man be found faithful.

℟. O LORD, make us stand in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, that we may find rest for our souls.

Again : I did vow, the LORD being my Helper, to be ready, with all faithful diligence, to banish and drive away all erroneous and strange doctrines

contrary to GOD'S Word; and to use both public and private monitions and exhortations, as well to the sick as to the whole, within my Cure, as need should require and occasion be given.

℟. LORD, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this vow.

℣. Preach the Word, be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all long-suffering and teaching.

℟. Help us, O GOD of our salvation, for the glory of Thy Name. And deliver us, and purge away our sins, for Thy Name's sake.

The Individual Life.

Again: I did vow, the LORD being my Helper, to be diligent in Prayers, and in reading of the Holy Scriptures, and in such studies as help to the knowledge of the same, laying aside the study of the world and of the flesh.

℟. LORD, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this vow.

℣. Be diligent in these things; give thyself wholly to them, that thy progress may be manifest unto all.

℟. Help us, O LORD, to take heed unto ourselves, and unto the teaching, and to continue in these things, that in doing this we may both save ourselves and them that hear us.

℣. O LORD, pour upon us the Spirit of grace and of supplication.

℟. And make us to bear the names of Thy people upon our heart, for a memorial before Thee continually.

Again: I did vow, the LORD being my Helper,

to be diligent to frame and fashion myself, and my family, according to the Doctrine of CHRIST; and to make both myself and them, as much as in me lieth, wholesome examples and patterns to the flock of CHRIST.

℟. LORD, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this vow.

℣. Tend the flock of GOD which is among you, exercising the oversight not of constraint, but willingly; nor yet for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; neither as lording it over the charge allotted to you, but making yourselves ensamples to the flock.

℟. Grant, O LORD, that when the Chief Shepherd shall be manifested, we may receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away.

℣. If a man knoweth not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the Church of GOD?

℟ As for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.

The Submission to Order and Peace.

Again: I did vow, the LORD being my Helper, to maintain and set forwards, as much as lieth in me, quietness, peace, and love, among all Christian people, and especially among them that were or should be committed to my charge.

℟. LORD, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this vow.

℣. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of GOD.

℟. LORD, teach us to follow after things which make for peace, and things whereby we may edify one another.

℣. The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for them that make peace.

℟. O LORD of peace, give us peace at all times in all ways, and help us to remember that the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of GOD.

Again: I did vow, the LORD being my Helper, to reverently obey my Ordinary and other chief Ministers, unto whom is committed the charge and government over us, following with a glad mind and will their godly admonitions, and submitting myself to their godly judgments.

℟. LORD, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this vow.

℣. Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit to them.

℟. Make all of us, O GOD, to gird ourselves with humility to serve one another; and may men glorify Thee for the obedience of our confession unto the Gospel of Christ.

BENEDICTION.

Almighty GOD, Who gave us this will to do all these things: Grant also unto us strength and power to perform the same; that He may accomplish His work which He hath begun in us; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Let me now remember the solemn words in which our great Commission was conferred upon us.

"Receive the HOLY GHOST for the Office and Work of a Priest in the Church of GOD, now committed unto thee, by the Imposition of our hands.

Whose sins thou dost forgive, they are forgiven; and whose sins thou dost retain, they are retained. And be thou a faithful dispenser of the Word of GOD, and of His holy Sacraments: In the Name of the FATHER, and of the SON, and of the HOLY GHOST. *Amen.*

"Take thou Authority to preach the Word of GOD, and to minister the holy Sacraments in the Congregation, where thou shalt be lawfully appointed thereunto."

After a solemn pause, say,

℣. Who is sufficient for these things?

℟. Our sufficiency is from GOD.

℣. Seeing we have this ministry, even as we obtained mercy, we faint not.

℟. We thank Thee, O GOD, Who made us sufficient as ministers of a New Covenant.

℣. Stir up the gift (Charisma) of GOD, which is in you through the Laying on of hands.

℟. O LORD, make us abound more and more, and to fulfil our ministry.

℣. The LORD grant unto us to find mercy of the LORD in that Day.

℟. That we may both save ourselves, and them that hear us.

COLLECT.

Most merciful FATHER, I beseech Thee to send upon us Thy servants Thy heavenly blessing . . . . that we may be clothed with righteousness, and that Thy Word spoken by our mouths may have such success, that it may never be spoken in vain. Grant also to all Thy people that they may have grace to hear and receive what

we shall deliver out of Thy Most Holy Word, or agreeable to the same, as the means of their salvation; that in all our words and deeds we may seek Thy glory, and the increase of Thy Kingdom; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR UNITY.

O GOD, the FATHER of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace; Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly Union and Concord: that, as there is but one Body, and one Spirit, and one Hope of our Calling, one LORD, one Faith, one Baptism, one GOD and FATHER of us all, so we may henceforth be all of one heart, and of one soul, united in one holy bond of Truth and Peace, of Faith and Charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify Thee; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

FOR THE PROVIDENTIAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CHURCH.

Grant, O LORD, we beseech Thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by Thy governance, that Thy Church may joyfully serve Thee in all godly quietness; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

INVOCATION.

May GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON, GOD the HOLY GHOST, bless, preserve, and keep us; the

LORD mercifully with His favour look upon us; and so fill us with all spiritual benediction and grace, that we may so live, labour, and love in this life, that in the world to come we may have life everlasting. *Amen.*

THE PRIESTLY LIFE.

Address to the Pastoral Order by the Archbishop of York.

The following is the substance of the Archbishop's Address, delivered at the Re-union of the Members on the Tuesday in Whitsun Week, 1896, *on the subject of the "Priestly Life."*

The life of the Priest is a subject as wide in scope and as momentous in its issues as his office or his work. Further, they are inseparable, and will depend one on the other. Certainly the work on the life. It is not so with secular professions. A man may be an excellent lawyer, or soldier, or doctor, whatever the character of his moral life. His life does not directly or necessarily affect his work. But the life of the Priest is really part of his work. He is to live CHRIST as well as to preach CHRIST. His life is to be a witness for CHRIST. Of all his sermons his life will be the most eloquent, the most intelligible, and the most influential. His people will be more affected by what he is than by what he does. And this influence is not only occasional like his sermons or his visits, but it is continuous. To us then—to the Priests in the Church of GOD—the words of S. Peter have a special application and a peculiar force: "What

manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness!"

The life of the Priest, like the love of his Master, may be regarded as fourfold in its dimensions. It must have breadth and length, and depth and height.

Its breadth lies in culture and Catholic sympathy.

Its length in patient perseverance and onward progress.

Its depth in thoroughness and absolute sincerity.

Its height in heavenly-mindedness and in holy joy.

1. When I speak of culture I use the word in its largest and highest sense, the enlightenment and refinement which springs from widespread knowledge of all that is best and noblest in nature, in man, and in GOD. Such knowledge not only expands and elevates the mind, but it refines and purifies the heart. It enlarges our sympathy with all that is good and beautiful, and makes us quick to discern and to appreciate what is best and highest wherever it may be found. The well-known words of S. Paul in his Epistle to the Philippians are an exhortation to high culture (Phil. iv. 8). And it is of the cultured mind and heart that the poet speaks when he says, "we needs must love the highest when we see it." But this culture goes further still. It leads us not only to admire the good when found, but more and more to desire to find it; and thus begets and develops in us large and loving views of all our fellow-men, and trains us to approach them in the spirit of faith and love. Next to the grace of GOD, it is this Catholic sympathy and loving spirit which enables us as the Priests of GOD to detect, and to rejoice in detecting,

whatever element or trace of good may lie beneath the surface of natures unpromising or even repulsive. But it finds its highest attainment in the power, not only to discover but to evoke whatever good there may be in any soul with whom we are brought in contact. There are those—we may ourselves have known them—those in whose presence, in whose society, men seem to be elevated above their proper selves, and, as it were, transfigured in the light of a nobler nature. Such a power as this, wherever attained, is of inestimable value to the parish priest in forming a true estimate of any one of his flock to whom he is called to minister, in whatever rank of life they may be found. For our greatest hope in dealing with any soul is to discover whatever there is of good and true, and there to take our stand. Then we find ourselves on common ground however limited the area may be. It may not as yet be wide enough to build a temple for the LORD, but there may be room at least to plant the ladder on which the angels of GOD ascend with prayers and longings, and come down with gifts and blessings upon the hungering and thirsty soul. There is nothing in us more powerful or more beautiful, nothing more like to GOD Himself, than this capacity to awaken and elicit the good that is in others, to detect the lingering spark in the smoking flax and to fan it into flame. And it is rooted and grounded in love. Love is the great revealer of all good. It is easy to detect the faults and weakness of others, easy to expose and denounce. This is the work of the διάβολος—the accuser. But to discover and to bring forth good, this is of GOD, and in doing GOD'S work it is a mighty and blessed power. Let us pray for it and

long for it, if we would be wise in discerning of spirits and happy in winning souls.

2. But the character and the life of the Priest must have its length as well as breadth. It is here where many lives fail, not from want of energy, but from lack of stedfastness and patience. Too how many a Priest, as years roll on, might S. Paul address the reproof which he wrote to the Galatians: "Ye did run well, what did hinder you?" We made a good start at the beginning of our course—we were diligent in the visitation of our people—earnest in our exhortations—faithful in our reproofs. But our words seemed of little avail—the sufferers or the sinners remained unchanged. It was all sowing and no reaping. The work lost its novelty, and began to lose its charm. We became weary in well doing. We were not content to labour on, waiting GOD'S time. "There is often a heavenly power in silent waiting." "Oftmals in stiller Wartung es liegt eine himmlische Kraft."

We had not learned the patience of the good Shepherd who goeth up after his lost sheep until He find it. Disappointment deadened our zeal and enfeebled our steps. At such times we are tempted to say with the prophet: "I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nought." We forget that he adds: "Yet surely my judgment is with the LORD and my recompense with my GOD." We forget the promise spoken to every true servant of GOD: "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." S. Augustine has said: "Fortia agere Romanum est: fortia pati Christianum." It needs much faith and much love to bear the trials of the Priestly life. It needs the brave ὑπομονή of which so much is said

by S. Peter, S. Paul, and S. James. It needs to have that mind in us which was in Christ; to take His yoke upon us and learn of Him. Τὸν ζυγόν Μου—for who, so truly as He, endured the contradiction of sinners? who so experienced the backwardness, the wilfulness, the enmity and the scorn of those to whom He ministered, and for whom He laid down His life? Who ever knew so well the need of patience and long-suffering in His pastoral life? "It is enough that the scholar be as his Teacher, and the servant as his Master."

And with perseverance there will be progress too; not only in the character of the Priest himself but in the spirit of his work: an ever-deepening sense of the value of each individual soul among those committed to his charge; a more earnest watchfulness for opportunities of speech or action—the "*mollia tempora fandi*"—the open doors to which the providence of GOD invites us; a growing faithfulness in that which is least as well as in that which is much; a stedfast growth in the "spirit of power and of love, and of a sound mind."

3. But the Priestly life needs depth as well as breadth and length. There are shallow lives and characters even in the ranks of the Priesthood. There is good disposition but no intensity of purpose. The life is formally offered to GOD, but not consecrated to His service. Duties are faithfully performed, but the heart is not enlisted in the work. There is diligence but no devotion. Life has no depth—no deep foundation—no deep convictions—no deep desires. It rests on nothing deeper than a mere liking for ministerial work, an interest in theological questions, or a preference for ecclesiastical surroundings. It is not rooted and grounded

in love. It is not constrained by CHRIST'S love to us,—it is not fired by our love to Him. There is no strength in our faith—no thoroughness in our life. It is shallow and feeble, and colourless. Such lives have no root in themselves. They lack freshness and growth.

The foundations of the Priestly life must be laid deep: not in the superficial soil of emotional experience, of literary leisure, or of social advantage; but on the Rock of conscious union with the Incarnate GOD, and in the strength of His indwelling Presence, sustained by a living faith in the Divine Commission: "As my Father hath sent me even so send I you."

4. But above all, the life of the Priest must have height. More than all other men his life must be hid with CHRIST in GOD. It is with CHRIST he works; it is in GOD he rests. Already in heart and mind he ascends whither our Saviour CHRIST has gone before. While living in the world he lives above the world. He is not consumed by those earthly cares and desires which as St. Bernard speaks are only "afflictio spiritus, evisceratio mentis, evacuatio gratiae." Where his treasure is there is his heart also. It is in a higher atmosphere than other men that he lives and breathes. Not that he holds himself above them, or lives apart from them. He is no recluse,—he is only inwardly ascetic. He mingles freely with his fellowmen. He rejoices with them that rejoice, he weeps with those that weep. Like his Master he sits at the marriage feast, like his Master he weeps at the grave. He is not neglectful of secular things—but he is not ensnared by them.

"Mihi res, non me rebus subjungere conor."

The springs of his life are not in earthly joys or earthly motives, but in the presence of GOD; in the secret of His tabernacle—hidden from the strife of tongues. In such a life there is an inner calm which often shows itself in outward and visible signs. There is a gentleness which is full of power, as has been happily said by Père Gratry: "Qu' est ce que la douceur? c'est la plénitude de la force." St. Ambrose exhorts the priest to seek for "tranquillitas morum." It cannot be put on from without. It must spring from within. It may be consistent with much cheerfulness and brightness, with quiet humour and sober mirth. But its great characteristic is a heavenward elevation and a holy calm. It soars above the glitter and turmoil of the earth. It towers above the waves and storms of this troublesome world. It realises the picture drawn by Goldsmith of the village Pastor:—

> "As some tall cliff that lifts its awful form,
> Swells from the vale and midway leaves the storm;
> Though round its breast the rolling clouds are spread,
> Eternal sunshine settles on its head."

The life of the Priest ought to be a spiritual life of the highest attainment, the highest Christian life. It is his calling and his responsibility to show in himself the power of that gospel which he preaches, and that grace which he administers. What every Christian ought to be, that he is bound to be in the most perfect manner and measure.

And lastly, this elevation of the priestly life in its heavenward height, finds its centre and its climax in the great High Priest Himself. As our Priesthood is only His—our work only the continuation of His work—so does our life find at once its

pattern and its perfectness in JESUS CHRIST Himself. So He speaks to us in our Gospel for to-day, "I am the Good Shepherd"—the beautiful Shepherd —ὁ ποιμὴν ὁ καλός —not only δίκαιος or ἀγαθός but καλός. And this beautiful goodness of the chief Pastor must be reflected and reproduced in every pastoral life. It is a high standard which He sets before us —but even if His sheep hear His voice and follow Him, how much more His shepherds? At what a distance and with how little heart do many of us seek to follow the blessed steps of His most holy life! Yet it is in this that the truest elevation of Priestly Life is found; not in high position, not in high attainments, not in the high esteem of admiring congregations, nor in high claims of spiritual power: but in upward longings, in heavenward aspirations, and the fervour of holy desire; in deepening love and growing likeness to the beautiful Shepherd, and in "looking for and hasting unto the coming of the Day of GOD."

The Benedictine Employment of time was to divide it between—

LABOR—LECTIO—OPUS DEI.

Thus, at sunrise, Mattins: then, four hours of labour, followed by two hours of reading, dinner, and private reading till 2.30: then, worship, and more labour until Vespers. The fundamental principle of the Benedictine rule was *obedience.*

To this were subjoined those of *poverty* and *chastity*. Its prologue ran thus :—Ausculta, O fili, præcepta Magistri, et inclina aurem cordis tui : et admonitionem pii Patris libenter excipe, et efficaciter comple; ut ad Eum per obedientiæ laborem redeas, a quo per inobedientiæ desidiam recesseras.

[For a concise account of the "Rule," see Robertson's "History of the Christian Church," book iii., chap. viii., sec. 3.]

Pasce Verbo : pasce vitâ : pasce sanctarum orationum fructu. (St. Bernard.)

St. Bernard describes four dangers which beset the soul :

Duritia cordis.
Afflictio spiritus.
Evisceratio mentis.
Evacuatio gratiæ.

And the remedy given is—Vacare Considerationi. Get time for meditation.

In this the great theologian of the twelfth century, and the great scientist of the nineteenth century were agreed, for Charles Darwin also said, "Cultivate meditation."

Supplement.

Common Memorials of Martyrs, Virgins, and Confessors.

Common of Martyrs.

MORNING.

Antiphon: Theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven who have despised the life of this world to gain a reward in the Kingdom, and have washed their robes in the Blood of the Lamb.

℣. O GOD, wonderful art Thou in Thy Saints.
℟. And glorious in Thy Majesty.

THE COLLECT.

Almighty and Everlasting GOD, grant unto us so to commemorate Thy holy Martyr . . . . that we may have our share in the Communion of Saints; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, Who, etc. *Amen.*

EVENING.

Antiphon: The souls of the Saints who followed the footsteps of CHRIST rejoice in Heaven, and forasmuch as for love of Him they shed their blood, they shall reign with Him for ever.

℣. Be glad, O ye Righteous, and rejoice in the LORD.
℟. And be joyful, all ye that are true of heart.

The Collect as above.

Common of a Virgin and Martyr.

MORNING.

Antiphon: When the Bridegroom came, they that were ready went in with Him to the marriage.

℣. The Virgins that be her fellows.
℟. Shall bear her company.

THE COLLECT.

Grant, O Almighty GOD, that we who commemorate the martyrdom of Thy blessed Virgin . . . . may profit by the communion of Saints, through our LORD JESUS CHRIST, Who, etc. *Amen.*

EVENING.

Antiphon: The Kingdom of Heaven is like

unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind; which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away.

℣. Full of grace are thy lips.
℟. Because GOD hath blessed thee for ever.

The Collect as above.

Common of a Confessor and Bishop.

MORNING.

Antiphon: Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the Joy of thy LORD.

℣. The Righteous shall grow as a lily.
℟. He shall flourish for ever before the LORD.

THE COLLECT.

Grant, we beseech Thee, O Blessed LORD, that we who commemorate Thy holy Confessor and Bishop . . . . may increase in faith and love towards Thee, the great Shepherd and Bishop of our souls, Who livest, etc. *Amen.*

EVENING.

Antiphon: A Bishop must be blameless as the steward of GOD.

℣. The LORD loved him, and beautified him with comely ornaments.
℟. He clothed him with a robe of glory.

The Collect as above.

Æterna fac cum sanctis Tuis in gloria numerari.

Memorials Proper of Holy Days.

AT PRIME.

Antiphon: This is My commandment, that ye love one another, even as I have loved you.

THE CHAPTER. *Eph.* ii. 19, 20.

So then ye are no more strangers and sojourners, but ye are fellow-citizens with the Saints, and of the household of GOD, being built upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets.

℣. Thou shalt make them princes in all lands.
℟. They shall remember Thy Name, O LORD.

At Compline.

As for Martyrs.

THE COLLECT.

O Blessed JESU, Who in Thy Providence wouldest sometimes call Thy faithful servants to bear their cross, and to suffer for Thy sake: Give me grace to live according to the rules of our most holy Faith, that I may have courage and comfort in suffering for it, that being made partaker of Thy sufferings I may hereafter rejoice in glory. To Thee with the FATHER, and the HOLY GHOST, be all honour and glory for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Feasts of Our Lady.

AT PRIME.

Antiphon: This gate shall be shut: it shall not be opened, and no man shall enter in by it; because the LORD the GOD of Israel hath entered in by it, therefore it shall be shut. Alleluia.

THE CHAPTER. *Gen.* iii. 14.

And the LORD GOD said unto the serpent: I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed: It shall bruise thy head and thou shalt bruise His heel.

℟. As in Adam all die, even so in CHRIST shall all be made alive.

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℣. For He must reign till He hath put all enemies under His feet.
℟. In CHRIST shall all be made alive.
℣. Blessed art thou among women.
℟. And blessed is the Fruit of thy womb.

THE COLLECT.

Grant, O LORD, that by Thy grace I may comply with those things which Thou hast appointed for my salvation : Teach me readily to obey Thee, as the angels do in heaven : give me purity and piety, prudence and modesty, those virtues which made the Blessed Virgin so highly favoured; that CHRIST may dwell in my heart for ever, and that I may evermore abide in Him. *Amen.*

AT COMPLINE.

Antiphon: I am the rose of Sharon : and the lily of the valley. Alleluia.

THE CHAPTER. *Is.* vii. 14.

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His Name IMMANUEL.

℟. Rejoice ye with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all ye that love her.
℣. The LORD hath chosen Sion to be an habitation for Himself.
℟. And be glad with her, all ye that love her.
℣. Full of grace are thy lips.
℟. Because GOD hath blessed thee for ever.

THE COLLECT.

Grant, O Almighty GOD, that we who commemorate the (*Name the Festival*) of the Blessed Virgin Mary, may profit by the Communion of Saints through our LORD JESUS CHRIST, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the HOLY GHOST, ever one GOD, world without end. *Amen.*

BEFORE SERVICE.

Te Dominum de cœlis laudamus, Tibi ut canticum novum cantare mereamur: Te Dominum in sanctis Tuis venerabiliter deprecamur ut omnia vota nostra suscipias, peccata dimittas: Salvator mundi qui regnas in sæcula sæculorum. *Amen.*

ON GOING TO THE ALTAR.

Sancte Domine, Illuminatio et Salus Vera credentibus, Resurrectio Dominicæ claritatis, illumina cor nostrum ut Trinitatis scientia et Unitatis cognitione filii lucis et membra CHRISTI ac templum Sancti Spiritus esse mereamur: Qui regnas in sæcula sæculorum.

ON LEAVING THE ALTAR.

Sanctus in sanctis, Agnus immaculatus, gloriosus in cælis, mirabilis in terris, præsta nobis, Domine, secundum magnam misericordiam Tuam Deus quæ Te petimus et oramus: Qui regnas in sæcula sæculorum. *Amen.*

Or,

Benedictus Deus Qui dat lasso fortitudinem, et cui non sunt vires robur multiplicavit.

Or,

Domini est salus : et super populum Tuum benedictio Tua.

Obsecro, frater, ut si quid tibi in hoc libello manco et inchoato salutare posui, ad laudem donantis* Dei *referas.

Par majestas Personarum,
Par potestas est earum,
  Et communis Deitas ;
Tu procedens a duobus,
Coæqualis es ambobus ;
  In nullo disparitas.

Quia tantus es et talis
Quantus Pater est et qualis,
  Servorum humilitas
Deo Patri Filioque
Redemptori, Tibi quoque
  Laudes reddat debitas.
(Adam of S. Victor.)